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S.P. council decides not to create SID

By BRAD BISHOP
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SCOTCH PLAINS—At the conclusion of a public hearing that extended over two public meetings, the Township Council voted against creating a special improvement district (SID) in the downtown.

The council voted 4-1 Tuesday against creating the district, which would have established a management entity to represent downtown interests. Over 70 SIDs have been established in New Jersey in recent years, but after hours of listening to testimony, council members concluded the

idea wasn't right for Scotch Plains.

The decision sends proponents of the SID back to the drawing board for ideas to re-energize the downtown, and lamenting the demise of what some saw as a missed opportunity.

One by one, downtown property owners and business owners implored the council not to create a district they said would raise their property tax bills by an unreasonable amount of money.

"I see no benefit to creating a SID—I see a bureaucracy that would just keep on growing and assessments on property owners who can't afford to pay them," said

Seymour Stein, a dissenting member of a steering committee convened by the council last year to explore the idea.

Convened in 2003, the steering committee in February recommended that the council create the district in an effort to revitalize the township's downtown.

A SID is a designated area in which commercial property owners pay an additional assessment based on their assessed property values to fund a downtown management corporation. Typically, the corporation, which is run by a board of directors made up of property owners and other stakeholders, hires a manager to market,

promote and manage the downtown.

The steering committee recommended the district should be funded by a six-tiered property tax assessment, with property owners being charged between \$250 and \$2,000 per year, based on the valuation of their properties.

Asked to recommend a sunset provision after opposition to the SID was expressed at the first hearing, that same steering committee declined to do so, saying the provision was unnecessary.

Most property owners at Tuesday's

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Graduation ceremonies held in Westfield, Scotch Plains

Hundreds of high school students said their last farewells to local high schools this week, as graduation ceremonies were held Monday in Westfield and Tuesday at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High. Among the 360 seniors departing Westfield were Rachel Shapiro, who had a message for her mom emblazoned on her cap, and Ryan James Leonard, who looked cool in his shades while reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and leading the class in singing "America, the Beautiful." After the ceremony, students headed to the Ricochet Health and Racquet Club for BASH, an all-night drug-free event sponsored by the Optimist Club. For more graduation-related news turn to Page B-5, which includes a full listing of the graduates from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.



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Builder sets sights on South Avenue

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WESTFIELD—Although his proposal to construct a mixed-use building on South Avenue has received an unfavorable response from a town subcommittee, a local developer will present his project before the Planning Board at its July meeting.

Developer Joseph Buontempo proposes to demolish two existing multi-family residences and replace them with a three-story building at 728-734 South Avenue. The building would consist of nearly 4,000 square feet of office and retail space on the ground floor and seven apartment units divided between the second and third floors.

Buontempo said he hopes to move his own business offices to one of the three commercial units created by the proposed project. The new building would be located on property that has been

owned by his family for nearly 40 years.

The project requires variances for parking spaces, percentage of building space devoted to residential units, and illumination.

The proposal must also overcome a report by the Board of Architectural Review, which found the project "out of character with the immediate neighborhood with respect to massing, height, size, and use" and feared the building "would tower over its neighbors."

The report and review, which dates from April 19, goes on to suggest the residential units do not have enough windows and that room sizes in the design of the building reviewed are "uncomfortably small." The report compared the project design with a "bland building that is oversized for the neighborhood" at 900 South Ave.

But Buontempo contends the

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School officials oppose legislation

By BRAD BISHOP
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As state budget negotiations shifted into overdrive during the middle of the week, local school officials scrambled to prevent state legislators from passing a bill that would restrict school district spending caps.

The spending restriction has been touted by the McGreevey administration as a piece of a larger plan to control property taxes. A bill that was passed by the Senate on Monday and was still before the Assembly at press time proposes to lower annual school district spending increases from 3 percent annually to 2.5 percent.

In addition, the bill would require school districts to appro-

priate surpluses in excess of 3 percent of the total budget for tax relief in 2004-05 and surplus in excess of 2 percent for the same purpose in 2005-06. Other changes include restrictions on second budget questions and expansion of the Commissioner of Education's authority.

The measure has, unsurprisingly, drawn opposition from school officials, whose budgets are already subject to state guidelines and voter approval.

Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education President Linda Nelson spent most of Monday in Trenton attempting to lobby state legislators to vote against the measure. She and many other local school officials were

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Questions remain on redevelopment project

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WESTFIELD—The Town Council's surprise decision to suspend its plans to redevelop the South Avenue train station parking lot last week left many questions unanswered, including what progress the council had made with developer HKT Nassau on a project design and financial plan for the south side project.

Second Ward Councilman Rafael Betancourt said this week the council agreed to drop the south side project and move ahead with a non-binding referendum for the north side deck at Prospect and Elm streets when it became apparent there was not enough support in the council or the community to go forward with both projects.

But Betancourt wasn't prepared to say the south side concept was dead, noting that the South Avenue lot remains designated as a redevelopment zone, and that studies show commuter demand for municipal lots will continue to rise.

"South Avenue is by no means off the books...and it is still an

area in need of redevelopment," said Betancourt, who believes Mayor Greg McDermott's incremental approach is the best way for the town to determine whether a second parking deck is needed.

Still to be confirmed is whether HKT Nassau continues to be interested in pursuing a significantly smaller project. According to Councilman Sal Caruana, while the developer has yet to meet with the full council since last week's decision, neither the town nor the developer have an obligation to pursue the project, and either entity can walk away from the plan until an agreement is signed.

At press time, opponents of the redevelopment project had yet to announce an official response to the revised plan, although several longtime advocates said they were elated to learn the council was dropping its plans for South Avenue and putting the north side to a non-binding referendum.

At last week's meeting, at least two council members voiced frustration that a final design



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A fun way to spend Father's Day

On Father's Day this past Sunday, T.J. Pizzuto spent some time looking at classic cars with his sons Christopher (left) and Andrew at a benefit show in downtown Cranford. Classic and antique car shows have all the rage recently, with similar events held in Fanwood and Westfield last week, and another one scheduled in Cranford Thursday night.

REMINDER

Investing seminar on tap next week

Stewart A. Ritter of Wachovia Securities in Westfield will once again offer his seminar for women investors 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Westwood in Garwood. The program is free; for a ticket, call (908) 789-7827.

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unsuccessful lobbying in the Senate, where the bill passed by a margin of 29 to 6.

"I don't normally go down to Trenton," Nelson said.

Special circumstances surrounded opposition to the bill. Educational groups often at odds with each other—such as The New Jersey School Boards Association and the New Jersey Education Association—formed an unlikely coalition to oppose the legislation.

Groups opposed to the bill say that even with the existing 3 percent cap, school districts are barely able to maintain existing programs. Teacher salaries rise by about 4 percent annually, and insurance and utility costs typically see double-digit increases. Other non-discretionary costs also rise well above the state-imposed cap.

Many districts are allowed to exceed the spending cap by so-called Spending Growth Limitation Adjustments (SGLAs), which allow above-cap budget increases for enrollment growth,

special education costs, utility and insurance costs, and student transportation.

A joint position paper released by the coalition claims that in addition to lowering the overall spending cap, SGLAs would be eliminated if the legislation was passed. School officials were holding their breath as of Wednesday, hoping the wiggle room provided by spending exceptions might be allowed to remain.

According to Westfield Superintendent William Foley, school districts would have two options if SGLAs were cut or sharply restricted.

"We could do second questions or cut programs," Foley said.

Many Union County schools are heavily reliant on spending exceptions. Last year, Westfield's budget was allowed to reach a spending increase of 6 percent. In the Scotch Plains-Fanwood school district, the budget rose 7 percent, well above what the existing cap would have allowed without the enrollment and insurance adjustments.

Nelson said she believes the legislation is designed to scapegoat school districts for high property tax increases instead of reforming the state's system of funding municipal and school budgets, a system which relies heavily on property taxes.

"We've cut, trimmed, nipped and tucked as much as we can," Nelson said. "Anything else will have to come out of teacher salaries or eliminating programs."

At its regular meeting last week, the Westfield Board of Education voted to send a letter to state representatives indicating their opposition to the bill.

Cranford Superintendent Larry Feinsod, a former president of the Garden State Coalition of Schools, said he had been actively communicating with legislators on behalf of Cranford schools to oppose the legislation.

"If (SGLAs) are excluded, it will be a disaster for schools trying to meet the needs of increasing enrollment," he said. "It's going to result in mediocrity."

At press time, the amendments to the bill were being debated by the Assembly, which was expected to take a final vote by Thursday.

Nelson said the speed with which state legislators were moving forward on the bill meant that critical information about the measure was not reaching every member of the Senate or Assembly, an assessment shared by Feinsod.

"It's clearly a measure that was borne out of a need to put the state budget together," said Feinsod. "It seems like a steamroller effect—it has nothing to do with kids and education, only Trenton."

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meeting said the assessments were not worth the benefit that would be derived from creation of the SID. And some weren't necessarily opposed to the idea of creating a downtown management entity—they just didn't want to pay for it.

"My taxes are going up each year," said Brian Anderson, who owns Anderson Lawnmower on East Second Street. "I don't feel it's appropriate to assess (just) business owners... I would only agree (to the SID) if you assess all the people of Scotch Plains."

Anderson and other East Second Street property owners were skeptical the SID could benefit their neighborhood, pointing to what they called the township's history of preferential treatment for Park Avenue businesses.

In making his case for the SID, property owner Dominick Verdic noted that his properties in Westfield had dramatically increased in value after that town created a similar district, a comment rejected by a boozing crowd that repeatedly indicated the township's downtown is doing fine the

way it is, without a downtown manager.

"In five years from now, if everyone's retail properties went up by 50 percent everyone would be happy the SID came in," Verdic said. "The proper way to do business is you have to spend money to make money... in the long run, if the SID works, property values increase."

Although all five members of the Township Council expressed support for the idea, most conceded the organized opposition to the measure—coupled with a lack of independently-organized support—meant the SID concept had not gained enough traction in the business community to be successful.

"I was surprised by what I heard last month and by what I didn't hear," said Councilwoman Carolyn Sorge, referring to opposition to the SID at the council's previous hearing. "If this is not what the majority of businesses want, then I can't support it this evening."

Councilwoman Nancy Malool, who researched the SID for more than 18 months and spent countless hours attempting to sell the idea to the community, pleaded

with council members not to give up on the concept.

"I promised I would do something for the downtown when I was elected," she said.

"I think this is a worthy project... and without it, the downtown is destined to wallow in mediocrity," Malool added before voting in the affirmative. "I've worked on this for a long time and I see the benefits—given time, you would see the benefits too."

But by the time Mayor Martin Marks had his opportunity to vote, the fate of the SID was determined, with council members Frank Rossi and Paulette Coronato having joined Sorge in voting against the measure. Marks said although he was voting against the ordinance, he believed downtown improvement should be sponsored and funded by downtown businesses, not residential taxpayers.

"I'm disappointed with the reaction," Marks told about 50 business owners in attendance. "I expected the community to say help us help ourselves." He urged business owners to come together for some kind of improvement in the future.

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review board misinterpreted his project design, and said a better model comparison for his plan was the Caldwell Bunker building on Lenox Avenue.

"What they are thinking is going to happen is not what the building will look like," Buontempo said. "The building will play off the residential aspects of the neighborhood."

He said the building would feature a brick or stone veneer on the front of the building, wide trim, and attractive siding. The roof would be a more classical design, he said, also unlike the 900 South Ave. building, which is situated a few blocks west.

The land use ordinance calls for

about 50 parking spaces, meaning Buontempo would require a variance for about 20 spaces. But he said based on the proposed mixed use of the property, the project is only short by a few parking spaces.

The Board of Architectural Review is appointed by the mayor on the advice of the Town Council and serves in an advisory capacity to the Planning Board. Its findings are taken into consideration by board members but do not necessarily determine the ultimate decision by the board.

It was not immediately clear if town planner Blais Brancheau was preparing a separate evaluation of the project.

Buontempo pledged to "preserve the character of the neighborhood" and noted he had recently refur-

bished two residential buildings he owns on South Avenue when he could have replaced them. He said the existing 2½-story buildings he plans to demolish are aging and in poor condition, having been gutted in 1979, and were originally built in the 1940s.

"I'm going to do a beautification of the property," he said.

"I don't want to ruin the character of Westfield, and the review board makes sure of that," he continued. "If the (Board of Architectural Review) wants to tweak (the design) that's fair, but you can't put a square peg into a round hole."

Buontempo said if his plan is approved, he would begin construction of his project in the summer of 2006 with a goal of finishing sometime in 2007.

The project will be reviewed by the Planning Board July 8 in Council Chambers. The meeting is open to the public.

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An outdoor classroom



All sixth grade students and their teachers from Edison Intermediate School enjoyed one of their last science classes of the school year at Tamaques Park in Westfield. Students conducted science experiments at five different lab stations in the park including scientific illustrations, stream study and stream speed, water analysis, pond habitat inventory, and soil analysis. The students recorded observations in the park to complete a science field guide. The following week, the guide was used as a teaching tool in the classroom. Also accompanying the students and teachers were one of the school nurses and several parent volunteers during this second annual science day at the park. Above, students collect and scrutinize samples of pond water.

Three Westfield High teachers recognized

By BRAD BISHOP

THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—Three district educators were honored at the high school's annual awards ceremony and again by the Board of Education at its regular meeting last week.

The board unanimously approved resolutions honoring math teacher Les Jacobsen, English teacher Kimberly Gosen-Fowler and art teacher Roy Chambers, applauding their efforts both in and out of the classroom.

Jacobsen was the recipient of the Robert and Linda Foose Memorial award, which is given annually to a member of the high school staff for excellence in education. Winners of the Foose award are first nominated by students, so instructors like Jacobsen have won the admiration of both educational professionals and the young people they teach.

"Winning the award is a tremendous honor, especially since it comes from the kids," said Jacobsen, who has been teaching mathematics at the high school for 29 years.

Jacobsen is an advisor to the National Honor Society and a moderator for the Model Professional Evaluation Program, and spent 11 years as a teacher in the award-winning Project '79 program. He described the program as a "close knit group of people" working together toward a common goal, and said his experiences in the program made him a better teacher.

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and financial package for the south side parking deck had never been presented to the public or the full council. And neither the mayor, who had not returned several phone calls at press time, or members of the Town Council revealed that information to the public or the press this week.

But the parking debate, which has dominated the council's agenda for most of the past two years, does not appear to be waning.

At the Downtown Westfield Corporation (DWC)'s regular monthly meeting on Monday, the board of directors did not address the council's decision even though a discussion on the matter was scheduled as an agenda item. When Chairman Alan DeRose allowed public comment at the conclusion of the meeting, members of WECARE, a group opposed to downtown redevelopment, engaged

the board in a familiar debate over parking.

WECARE members continued to press the DWC and Chamber of Commerce to force downtown employees to park at the South Avenue train station parking lot on Saturday and Sunday, arguing employees were occupying the downtown's most valuable parking spaces.

DWC members countered that town officials could continue trying to shift the allocation of parking spaces, but said in the end the town will have to acknowledge that a finite number of parking spaces exists, and that number is eclipsed by demand for parking spaces by competing interests equally deserving of better downtown parking options.

"No matter how you re-allocate the slices, it's still a pie," said board member Joe Spector, who asserted the town's shortfall of parking spaces is probably between 1,000 and 1,200 spaces, well below the number that would be served by construction of a parking deck on the north side.

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Commentary

This is budget discipline?

The budget news from Trenton is disappointing. With only days to go before a new fiscal year begins on July 1, the Legislature is hurrying to finalize details of a new budget that has some disturbing features.

The proposed budget is \$27.3 billion, \$3.2 billion more than last year. That's a 13 percent increase, much more than the budget caps the state mandates for municipalities and school districts.

To help fund the budget—chock full of goodies designed for consumption during a gubernatorial election year—Gov. James E. McGreevey has proposed borrowing about \$1.5 billion. Though McGreevey has yet to release details of the plan, questions have arisen about the constitutionality of the borrowing plan, as a non-partisan attorney working for the Legislature has deemed the bonding should not be permitted without a referendum.

McGreevey's proposal appears to be the state's latest attempt to circumvent the Constitution's restrictions on borrowing, a technique that has been used with alarming frequency to settle the state's books. Only California, the Star-Ledger reported Sunday, has borrowed more to balance a state budget. The borrowing is needed even as tax revenues are increasing and the income tax rate is rising for the wealthiest residents.

The borrowing plan is just one facet of the budget mess. The Legislature is considering keeping a surplus less than the \$500 million recommended by the state treasurer. The proposed budget also calls for the state to contribute less than what is required for the state pension fund.

It's a feel-good budget for an election year. Because of the so-called "Millionaires' Tax," the traditional shell game of property tax rebates gets a boost. State aid is increased to municipalities, school districts and colleges. Those are all welcome ideas, but they come with a price that has to be paid sooner or later.

A state budget with a 13 percent increase is unacceptable. With most states limiting spending increases to the 3 percent range, New Jersey is way out of step with the rest of the country. The state is being hypocritical in its application of budget discipline. Though municipalities and school districts have mandated budget caps—which may be getting stricter if some pending bills make it through the Legislature—the state government has no such mechanism to regulate spending. This is despite, or perhaps because of, the fact that state officials are less likely to be punished by voters for budget increases.

If there is a constitutional convention next year on property taxes, perhaps that conclave should also consider a constitutional amendment to put an annual cap on the state budget. That may be the only way to instill a sense of budget discipline in state government.

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Letters to the editor

LDA holds Student Awards Night

To The Record-Press:

On June 11, the Learning Disabilities Association of Scotch Plains-Fanwood held its Student Awards and Recognition Night at Park Middle School.

Children, parents and teachers had a blast! With more than 350 guests and honorees, everyone had a great evening. Special visitors included the Deputy Mayor of Scotch Plains, Paulette Coronato. Special activities for the children included a science magic show and an interactive Karate class. With all of the excitement, the kids wanted the night to go on forever—and it seemed like it could!

Not enough thank you space is here to give appreciation for all the donations that were made from food suppliers, music providers and contributions, to the valuable time that so many

gave to make our night for the kids truly spectacular and wonderful!

A favorite highlight of the evening was the student awards and distribution of their certificates. From pre-k to middle school, all the kids just sparkled as their names were called and they came forward to be congratulated.

One young man of about 4 years exclaimed with zeal, "I did it!!!"

And he certainly did... they all did.

Thank you to all who participated and attended our very special and magical evening. Please go to our website's Special Appreciation Page at www.ldasp.org.

SUSAN IBARRA

President

Learning Disabilities Association
of Scotch Plains-Fanwood

Put Elm Street building up for sale

To The Record-Press:

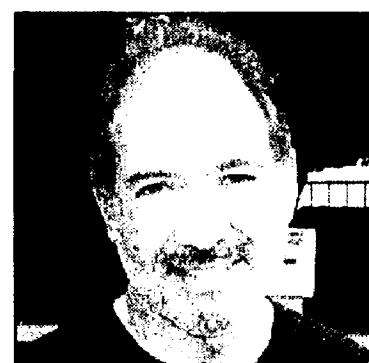
It is edifying to see the efforts made to improve the appearance of the Westfield Board of Education grounds at 302 Elm St. It will no doubt enhance the success of the sale of this surplus property.

When the property goes on the tax rolls, Westfield's schoolchildren and taxpayers will benefit. Let's hope it is soon.

JOANNE HONE

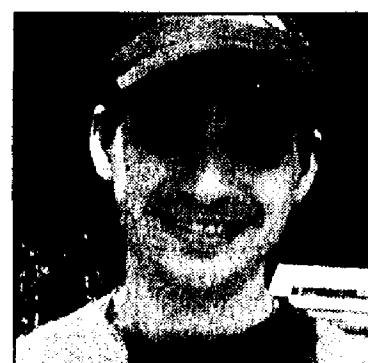
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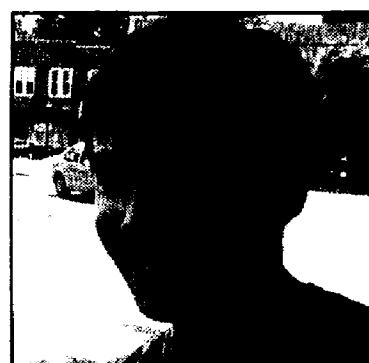
BOB PAUL
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I don't get the chance to see many movies, but I'd like to see "Shrek 2." I know my daughter wants to see it.



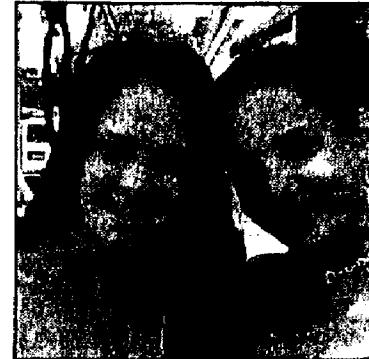
FRANK LIJOI
Cranford

I'm definitely going to see "Spiderman 2" and M. Night Shyamalan's new movie, "The Village."



CHRIS COOK
Cranford

I want to see "Spiderman 2" and "King Arthur."



SAMANTHA SEIB and JILL KANDIGIAN
Westfield

We want to see "Dodgeball!"



GABRIELLA VAN NESS and CASSIE GREEN
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Definitely "Harry Potter" and "Spiderman 2."



KEVIN PURDY
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"Spiderman 2."

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Jersey Boy



Mike Deak

Resisting summer's temptations

Summer is the season of temptation.

You are strolling on the boardwalk when you see an attractive person (of whatever sex you are attracted to) in a skimpy bathing suit. You are tempted to stare longingly and lustfully, to pant and howl at the moon even though it's 3:17 p.m. You may also be tempted, depending upon the alignment of the stars and planets, to even approach that person and say something seductive—"Do you want to share a piece of taffy without using our hands?"—that will lead to an excellent summer adventure.

But, alas, you don't do any of the above except for a brief stare that is wistful and ashamed, like a defeated general gazing over a battlefield. Now that you've graduated from high school, there is no longer any thrill left in the adventure of war. You have to act responsibly; you are supposedly mature. You tug on the leash that controls your hormones. You sigh.

In summer you are tempted at the office picnic to attempt some athletic derring-do. You believe you can dive for the volleyball and not worry about grass burn, and you know you can leg out a softball single into a double. With the bravura that only Corona Light can brew, you want to show off that dive you couldn't do as a teenager because you didn't have the coordination you have now.

Sadly, you often fall prey to this temptation. You dive like a fool for the volleyball and though you miss, everyone congratulates you for trying hard; they are the same words people reserve for children who are not embarrassed by their failures. Later, in the middle of the night, when you have to make the inevitable midnight visit to the bathroom, you discover you can't straighten out your slumber posture. On the softball diamond, you chug around first base with the voice of The Little Engine That Could as your motivator and you begin to pant out of exhaustion, not lust. On that inevitable midnight visit to the bathroom, you limp like a Civil War veteran and you realize that Ben-Gay also clears sinuses. At those times, you wish you hadn't given in to temptation and had settled for a friendly game of horseshoes.

The summer's worst temptations are food. At every picnic you are tempted to eat foods that are really bad for you. What are ribs, except fat with sauce? Ah, but you are tempted to eat them anyway, along with fatty hamburgers, mysterious hot dogs, salads with fatty dressing and the high-calorie beer. You are tempted to say, "What the heck? I can eat whatever I want because I'm going to play softball later."

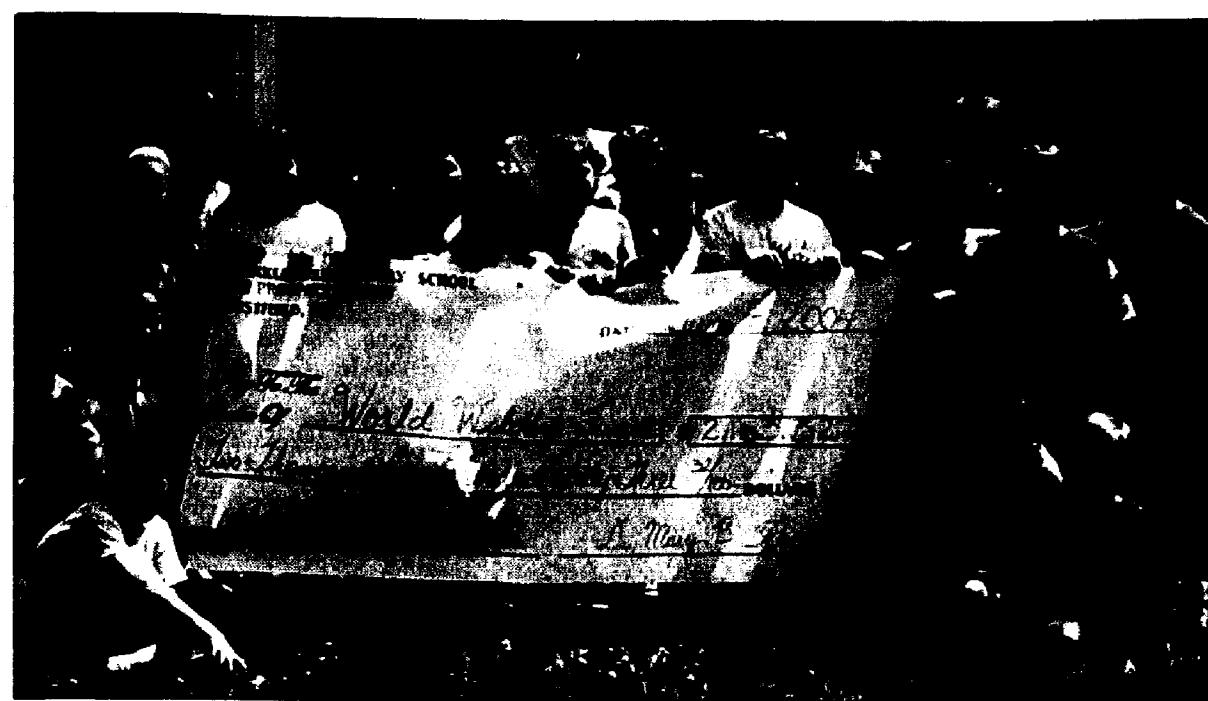
But by the time the softball game finally begins, your stomach is purring and you're falling asleep. And at the next picnic you attend, you don't really know why all the kids want you to show off your famous belly flop in the pool.

In summer you are tempted to disregard decorum and engage in the wild behavior that once made summer so magical. You want to buy a six-pack of beer and drive in the country with the rest of your high school buddies to the spot along the Raritan River where you slurped the warming beer, cursed life for being so wretchedly unfair, cursed the women who were so wretchedly inaccessible and commended with New Jersey's mother of all rivers.

This is the one temptation you really want to surrender to. But you can't. Your high school buddies are hostage to the commitments of family, community and job. And nobody feels good when you still drink too much beer.

But secretly, within the confines of your air-conditioned car, you can turn up the radio as loud as possible and sing along at the top of your lungs to songs that were once considered revolutionary, but are now classics.

And you can howl at the moon as long as you want because nobody but the moon is listening.



Students show they're penny-wise

Students in Ms. Billing's fourth-grade class at Franklin Elementary School in Westfield organized a school-wide penny drive from May 17-21 that raised \$2,163.32 for endangered animals. The class is pictured with the large check made payable to the World Wildlife Fund. Classmates Samantha Furst and Alexandra Hoffman thought of the concept for the drive.

Board strives to ease ninth-graders' transition to Westfield High School

By BRAD BISHOP

THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD—Next year's ninth grade students may have an easier time making the transition from middle school to high school, thanks in part to the efforts of a committee convened to study the issue earlier this year.

The Ninth Grade Transition Committee was formed by the Board of Education in April to examine the impact of growing student enrollment on students' first days in the high school.

At the school board's regular meeting June 15, Student Assistance Counselor and Ninth Grade Transition Committee chairperson Maureen Mazzarese presented her committee's findings and recommendations.

The goal of a successful transition program includes boosting student success in academics, creating a sense of belonging in the high school, providing students with knowledge of resources available to them, and ensuring students understand school rules and regulations, Mazzarese said.

On the whole, students are making the jump to high school very well, she added. A survey of 331 freshmen indicated that only 26 were not becoming involved in school-related activities. The majority of students are participating in one of more than 40 clubs and many of the different athletic opportunities available at the high school.

All told, more than 70 percent of students responding to the survey said they were spending four hours or more per week on co-curricular activities.

"Compared to other schools we have a lot less to worry about, but there's always something we can do better," Mazzarese said.

Improving overall communication was one of her committee's recommendations. Board members recommended increasing the availability of information online, including over email and via message boards.

At the same time, the commit-

tee said more personal contact was essential to the transition experience. The committee sought to expand the school's student mentoring program, which personalizes the process by bringing students together in small groups.

Last year, 100 incoming freshmen and about 30 upper-class students participated in the program, which focuses on time management, social integration into the school, community involvement, and issues related to drugs and alcohol.

Expansion of the program will result in all 470 incoming freshmen participating in a program that will include 115 mentors made up of juniors and seniors. The program will work in tandem with the health and physical edu-

cation curriculum.

Optimist Club member Jeffrey Feldman, a member of the transition committee, suggested adding an additional club day for students later in the school year, when students have a better idea of how to manage their time. A second club day could increase student participation in extracurricular activities, he said.

Board President Anne Riegel commended the efforts by both the Optimist club and the committee as a whole.

"This is a great example of the community working with us on what is an important goal," she said.

The board hopes to receive an update on the progress of the student mentoring program later this year.

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Police arrest two on drug charges

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Elisabete DeSousa Amos, 36, of Queens, N.Y. and Bryant G. Lopez, 24, also of Queens, were arrested for drug possession while sitting in a parked vehicle in the parking lot of Snuffy's restaurant on Friday.

Amos was charged with possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana and Lopez was charged with possession of cocaine.

Scotch Plains police were on foot patrol inside the Snuffy's parking lot when they observed the two occupants of the vehicle engaging in the use of the illegal substances.

The Jade Isle restaurant was burglarized sometime between 1 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. June 18. The manager discovered the break-in when he arrived for work. Entry to the building was gained through the front door, and money was removed from the restaurant's cash registers.

WESTFIELD

Christopher Burger of Scotch Plains was arrested for obstruction of justice and resisting arrest on June 16. Burger was processed and released on two court summonses.

An employee at The Party Stop, located at 932 South Avenue, reported someone damaged the store's sign on June 17.

James Sunseri, 27, of Westfield was arrested for driving while intoxicated on June 18.

Police Log

A breath test revealed Sunseri had a blood-alcohol content of .16, police said.

Officers arrested Michael J. Simon of Maryland and a juvenile passenger for possession of a controlled dangerous substance under 50 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia Saturday. Simon was released on his own recognizance and issued a court summons.

A resident of Settlers Lane reported someone damaged her mailbox Saturday.

A resident of Boulevard reported someone threw a toaster oven through the window of the resident's 1992 Toyota wagon on Saturday.

A resident of Wells Street reported someone damaged the left tail light of the resident's Honda Saturday.

A resident of Sedgewick Avenue reported Saturday his Land Rover was entered and two LCD monitors were removed.

A Cranford resident reported someone entered his unlocked vehicle while it was parked at Tamaques Park on Saturday.

Along with his wallet, watch and credit cards, other personal items

were removed from the vehicle.

A Summit Avenue resident reported someone unlawfully entered her 1995 Saturn while it was parked in front of her house on Monday.

A Coach handbag was reported stolen. The bag included cash, personal identification and an ATM card, which was subsequently used in Linden.

A Park Street resident reported someone entered her 1994 Toyota while it was parked in her driveway on Monday. A Sony Discman, valued at \$75, was removed from the vehicle.

A Cardinal Drive business owner reported Monday his Fleet and BMW VISA cards were removed from his office and used to make an unauthorized \$400 transaction.

A Washington Street resident reported her 1998 Buick was unlawfully entered Monday. Approximately \$5 in loose coin change was removed from the vehicle.

Officers arrested Brenda Petterway on warrants out of Westfield and the city of Plainfield Tuesday.

The arrest was made at 364 South Avenue East during a disturbance call. Petterway was held in lieu of a total of \$2,190 combined bail.

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Swenson selected as state president of PEO

WESTFIELD—A tea honoring the newly elected state officers of The New Jersey State Chapter of PEO was held June 9 at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield.

Bobbie (Barbara) Swenson of Scotch Plains had been elected state president at the 62nd Annual Convention of the New Jersey State Chapter of PEO, a Philanthropic Educational Organization, held April 30-May 1 at the Hanover Marriott in Whippany.

Swenson has been a member of Chapter E Westfield, which hosted the tea, since 1983 and has served many offices both in her local chapter and on the state level. She is married to Carl Swenson and they have two children, Keith and Amy.

The tea was coordinated by Evelyn Swenson, president of Chapter E Westfield, with members of the chapter assisting.

At the convention, local delegates for Chapter E Westfield were Margaret Oakley of Scotch Plains and Margaret Sosa of Elizabeth. Visitors from Chapter E included Vera Lough, Westfield; Libby Andrews, Evelyn Swenson, Fanwood; Jane Perdue, Joan Poe, Sally Rand, Lynne Schwartz, Dee Vasnelis, Scotch Plains; Ellen Anthony, Basking Ridge; Betty Beals, Edison; and former area resident chapter member, Lynda Brey of State College, Pa.

PEO is a philanthropic and educational organization dedicated to promoting educational opportunities for women. It



BARBARA SWENSON

owns and supports Cotter College, a two-year college for women in Missouri.

The PEO Sisterhood provides International Peace Scholarships for foreign graduate students to study in the United States or Canada, and loans for women who need assistance for education beyond high school.

The organization also provides grants to women in the United States and Canada who need to resume their educational studies later in life and awards select graduate students in the United States and Canada.



Boy Scouts help out at Fun Night.

Westfield's Jefferson School recently held an end-of-the-year Fun Night. Members of Boy Scout Troop 273 lent a hand, helping the youngsters in attendance have a good time.

Fund seeks donated air conditioners

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation, a support organization for children with cancer located in the township, is in need of 10 new window air conditioning units for children who suffer from cancer.

The summer months are very difficult for these children; the medications that they must take for their illness create problems as they cope with the heat during these months. Air conditioning is needed for their comfort.

Some of the other needs for the children are: Videos, new summer clothing, diapers, crib bed sheets, three-drawer plastic organizers and a portable DVD player for a child in the hospital.

To make a donation and help a child who is suffering from cancer, call Monica at (908) 322-4323, ext. 17.

Program gives parents guidelines on discipline

WESTFIELD—Recent events have raised suspicions about the safety of children even in their own homes. Understandably, parents are asking if even normal parenting can sometimes get them into trouble with DYFS, New Jersey's Division of Youth and Family Services.

And when children are unusually rebellious, how far can parents or caregivers go to stay in control, set limits, and administer consequences when

limits fail?

A two-hour workshop 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Westfield will offer local parents a chance to meet with an expert DYFS staff person and gain clarity about some of parenting's more difficult challenges.

The workshop will be held at 137 Elmer St. in Westfield, at the Family Support Organization of Union County. The event is offered free of charge, but reservations are

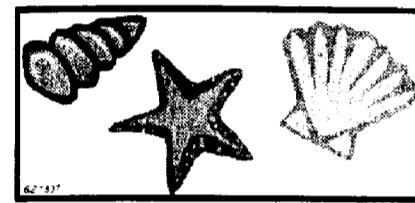
suggested. To reserve, be placed on a mailing list for future events, or for further information, call Gail or Kathy at (908) 789-7625.

The Family Support Organization (FSO) supports Union County families who are raising a child with special emotional or behavioral needs by offering support groups, educational forums, and warm-line phone assistance.

The FSO, along with FACT

(Families & Community Together), Youth Case Management, and the Children's Mobile Response and Stabilization System, are partners in Child Behavioral Health Services under the NJ Department of Human Services.

In addition, the state maintains a toll-free access number and crisis line at (877) 652-7624 for families who are in crisis or concerned about the mental health of their child.



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In addition to market demand, C-21 Mary Allen Realty has launched an aggressive new ad campaign. Randy

Sinor, owner and Broker of Record, feels confident 2004 will be a banner year for the firm. "Customers have trusted the C-21 name at home, and now they can trust us at the shore." Mary Allen Realty is the only Century 21 office on Long Beach Island.

"We're getting the word out through our 'Ask Us' campaign," said Sinor. "It basically conveys the message that

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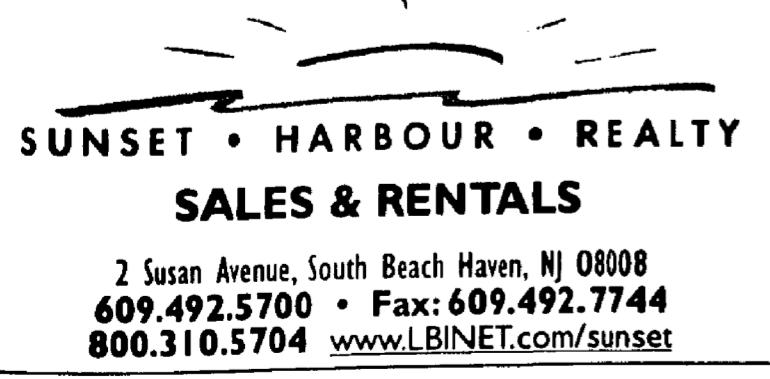
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PARENTS WORKSHOP — on how to administer discipline, sponsored by the Family Support Organization of Union County. 137 Elmer St., Westfield. 6:30-8:30 p.m. Free, but reservations suggested at (908) 789-7265.

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COMING UP

DINING WITH DAZZLE — an etiquette program for children ages 7-12 sponsored by the Scotch Plains Recreation Department. 2-4 p.m. Charlie Brown's Restaurant. Repeats 6-8 p.m. July 14. For more information or to register, call (908) 322-6700.

BACK AND POSTURE SCREENING — free event for members of the JCC of Central NJ. Screening performed by Dr. Mastro Pietro of Westfield. 9-11 a.m. July 13. 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. (908) 889-8800, ext. 225.

**Field Day a blast at Evergreen School**

On June 7, Ray Cicewisz, the physical education instructor at Evergreen School in Scotch Plains, held his second annual Field Day for the students. The emphasis of the day is to get out and exercise while having fun. Students participated in a variety of games such as relay races, barrel ball basketball, parachute fun and water games—but the students' clear favorite is still the tug-of-war. The day's events culminated with the graduating fourth-grade students facing off against the teachers and staff in an all-out tug-of-war battle. This year the fourth-graders won—better luck next year, teachers!!

Adult swim classes upcoming at JCC

pay \$85.

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62 children take part in Lodge's ID program

WESTFIELD—The Atlas Pythagoras Masonic Lodge, located at 1011 Central Ave., held its annual children's I.D. Program recently.

The program involves videotaping and photographing children for identification purposes. They are also fingerprinted by a Union County Sheriff's Officer. A laminated I.D. card is then made with the child's photograph.

All these items—the finger-print cards, I.D. cards and video-tapes—are then given to the parents or guardians of the children; no records about the children are retained by the Lodge or the Union County Sheriff's Office. The entire cost of the program is sponsored by the Sheriff's Office and Atlas Pythagoras Lodge and is free to the public.

There were 62 children identified during the recent program. In addition balloons, cookies and soda were provided to participating families.

According to Nick Pagnetti, chairman for the event, the program is so popular that no less than 33 volunteers showed up to help. Among these were seven or eight members from Loyalty, another Masonic Lodge. The I.D. Program has been held continuously since 1991 when Leo Oway, the Grand Master of Masons at that time, instituted it.

For next year, plans are being formulated to upgrade the program to include tooth prints. This process involves heating up a dental plate and having the child bite down on it for 20 seconds. This process then yields an exact replica of the child's teeth, but beyond that it also yields a DNA sample from the child, which is the most positive way to identify a child.

Pagnetti said that it is hoped that none of these items will ever have to be used, but it is very important to do it in case there is a lost or missing child. The records could be a valuable tool for law enforcement in locating the youngster.

While the program is a success, the Lodge is seeking public support to rectify one problem. The Lodge still uses VHS format videotapes to tape the children, and there are fewer and fewer cameras around today. Pagnetti said that if anyone has an old style large VHS video camera in working condition, he hoped that they would consider donating such a camera to the program. To donate, call Pagnetti at (908) 245-5422.

Program aims to teach kids table etiquette

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Scotch Plains Recreation Department is sponsoring the Dining with Dazzle program 2-4 p.m. July 10 and again 6-8 p.m. July 14. Children aged 7 to 12 are invited to attend this introduction to dining etiquette, which will be held at the Charlie Browns Restaurant. Proper dining requires learning the important skills and rules surrounding the complete dining experience, including the sharing of meals with others.

Professional speaker and etiquette expert Kerry Preston has put her knowledge and expertise together to form this fun and informative dining course for children. This is a hands-on class in which children will be given ample opportunity to practice the difficult and diverse skills of table manners.

The course fee includes dinner from the children's menu, beverage, dessert, tax and gratuity.

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Community Life

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Investment seminar offered Tuesday night

WESTFIELD—Stewart A. Ritter, senior vice president/investment for Wachovia Securities in Westfield, has announced he will host his investment seminar "The Biggest Mistakes Women Investors Make and How to Avoid Them" 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Westwood in Garwood.

This will be his last presentation of his seminar until the autumn. The seminar is geared towards the specific investment concerns women share, and shows how women can take greater control of their individual finances.

"Women have traditionally been neglected when it comes to financial education," says Ritter. "Women investors face several unique concerns when investing, and should therefore consider taking a unique approach to financial planning. One of the most important tools for any investor is knowledge, and that is why I am providing this free educational seminar for women."

Ritter has a 22-year history in the financial services industry. He is committed to educating the public about important financial issues, and he achieves this goal through seminars, workshops and written articles.

Groups from women's clubs and organizations as well as individual investors are encouraged to attend the seminar. Tickets are free, but space is limited. For more information and to request complimentary tickets, call Ritter's senior marketing coordinator, Rosie DeSimone, at (908) 789-7827.

Club installs officers, hands out scholarships

FANWOOD—On June 2, the Fanwood Lions Club held its Ladies Night and installation of officers for the year 2004-05 at Snuffy's Pantagis Restaurant.

Past District Governor Frank Magnolia and his wife Adele were present, and PDG Magnolia performed the installation.

Scholarship Chairman Phyllis Fischer presented the three scholarship winners, Daniel Kranz, Daniel Wasserman, and Kerolos Bernaba with \$1,000 scholarships for their education.

The Fanwood Lions Club is more than 50 years old, and through the hard work of men and women, has been able to raise money for the visually impaired and other charities in the community.

The organization, also known as the Christmas Tree Club, has been able this year to donate more than \$5,000 to various charities in addition to the scholarships. This is accomplished at Christmas by a club with just over 30 members. The club meets the first and third Wednesday of the month. New members are welcome.

For more information, call Past President Phyllis Fischer at (908) 233-2581.

Chinoy continues service to NJDA

SCOTCH PLAINS—In a recent ceremony at the New Jersey Dental Association's 134th annual Convention at the Trump Taj Mahal Casino & Resort in Atlantic City, Walter I. Chinoy, DMD was sworn in as the organization's speaker of the House of Delegates for the 14th consecutive year.

A general dentist in Scotch Plains, Chinoy received his bachelor's degree from Rutgers University and his dental degree from the University of Pennsylvania Dental School. He is a member of the Academy of General Dentistry, American Academy of the History of Dentistry, and the American Institute of Parliamentarians. He is also a fellow of both the American and International Colleges of Dentists and the Pierre Fauchard Academy.

Chinoy is a past president of the Central Dental Society and was editor of its bulletin. He has served as a member of the NJDA board of trustees since 1988 and has been a member of the NJDA House of Delegates since 1983. He served for three years on the NJDA Council on Communications, and for six years on the Council on Legislation.

Master Gardener applications now accepted

WESTFIELD—The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County Master Gardener Training Program is now accepting applications for the class of 2004-2005. Classes will be held on Tuesday mornings from 10 a.m. until noon and will begin on Oct. 19, 2004 and run through May 2005.

Rutgers Master Gardeners are trained volunteers who assist the Cooperative Extension in delivering horticulture programs and information to the general public. Anyone with an interest in gardening and a commitment to volunteer service can become a Master Gardener.

Members consist of people who believe

in organization's volunteer mission and have the desire to enhance the program. At the same time, the association helps build a network of educated, committed and experienced volunteers who enjoy the rewards of gardening through volunteering, education and experiencing the benefits of meeting new friends and socializing as well. No previous education or training is necessary.

Master Gardeners receive in-depth training in horticulture from Rutgers University faculty and professional staff. There is a fee to cover material and program costs.

As part of the training, Master

Gardeners are required to volunteer a certain number of hours, working in their community in programs sponsored by Rutgers Cooperative Extension.

Successful graduates of the training become Certified Master Gardeners after they complete their volunteer service. Some of the topics include Flower Gardening, Vegetable Gardening, Fruit Growing, Insects & Diseases, Plant Pathology, Basic Botany, Integrated Pest Management, Mosquito Control, Soils, Weed Management and Wildlife.

Once participants become trained, they join one of the many committees that offer the residents of Union County

educational services. Some of the committees are: Community Beautification, Sharing Garden and Horticultural Therapy Groups. Other roles include serving as a Help Information Staff Member, volunteering at garden shows and fairs, or becoming a speaker on a favorite topic.

Classes will be held at the Union County Administration Building's first floor auditorium, located at 300 North Ave. East. For more information or to obtain an application, call the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County's Agriculture Department at (908) 654-9854.

Wheelchair-accessible playground is completed



Above, Greg Ryan Jr. cuts the ribbon on the new handicapped-accessible playground at Memorial Park in Westfield, as a crowd of people who contributed to the project looks on. At right, a view of the playground after work was completed.



WESTFIELD—It was more than two years in the design and approval stages and took almost two months to build. It took more than 175 contributors to pay for it, several dozen volunteers to construct it, and service donations and food from local businesses, but it is now open.

What is it? The new wheelchair-accessible playground at Memorial Park in Westfield. On Saturday, June 19, the Memorial Park facility, which got underway as an Eagle Scout project for Gregory Ryan Jr., saw completion when it was dedicated to children of all abilities.

There are now four slides and eight swings at the location, as well as a ramp for wheelchairs. There are new handicapped parking spaces next to a new sidewalk lined with the contributor's names. The new sidewalk leads all the way to the new ramp. Most importantly, there is fun for all.

About 75 people came out to the dedication, ranging from the 6-year-old little girl who gave her \$11 in tooth fairy money and an 8-year-old who gave more than half her piggy bank money; to the staff at Burgdorff Realtor's who gave

their holiday grab bag gifts; to Anita Smith, president of the Westfield Women's Club, who saw to it the original \$75,000 goal was realized with a \$7,000 donation.

Many others made the project possible, including members of the New York Stock Exchange members who through three groups donated \$30,000; Weldon Materials, which contributed tons of concrete and stone; and A. Pigna Masons, which donated its services to build the sidewalk. Local businesses donated food to keep volunteers going.

The massive coordinated effort was made possible by a local Boy Scout trying to earn his Eagle Scout rank and the support of the community foundations, service organization and others near and far.

At the dedication ceremony, several speakers had to admit to Ryan Jr. they never thought his project was feasible for a teen to do. But he persisted through a very wet spring and major underground water problems, and, after only a two-week delay, the playground is now open to the community's children.

Service League installs officers, awards scholarships

SCOTCH PLAINS—The annual meeting of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Service League was held May 17 at the Scotch Hills Country Club. The following officers were installed for the 2004-2005 year: President, Brenda Mentesana; first vice president, Ronnie Adams; recording secretary, Helen Surridge; corresponding secretary, Doris Julian; and treasurer, Brenda Mentesana.

In addition, five Service League scholarship recipients were announced for the coming year. Following the annual business meeting, the Thrift Shop members enjoyed a delightful lunch prepared by its members.

For the 2003-2004 year, the Thrift Shop donated a total of \$36,000 to various organizations in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood community. The Service League was pleased to be able to offer \$12,000 of that total amount in scholarships to the following recipients:

Kathryn Bantz of Fanwood, who will be

a freshman at Marist College majoring in biology, received \$3,000. Bantz has been involved with DECA, organizing Thanksgiving Day Baskets for the homeless and buying Christmas toys for needy children and gifts for needy families. With DECA, she has visited Ashbrook Nursing Home monthly. Bantz has also been involved with SALSA, which sponsors children from needy Third World countries, with SMAC, which raises money for cancer, with the FoodBank and local shelters and the recycling center.

Steven Cooney from Scotch Plains will be a freshman at The College of New Jersey majoring in Music Education. He received \$3,000. Cooney has organized and managed a fundraiser for a former Scotch Plains High School student in need of a lung transplant. He has also provided musical entertainment at the Robert Wood Johnson Pediatric Unit Holiday party and performed at grammar school fundraisers. Cooney has lectured on living with cystic

fibrosis and has discussed the disease with more than 200 medical students at Rutgers University.

Karen McCourt of Scotch Plains will be a junior at Boston College majoring in elementary and early childhood education. She received \$3,000. When she is in Scotch Plains, McCourt volunteers at Children's Specialized Hospital and Habitat for Humanity. At college, she works in a Campus School for Disabled Children and hosts visits on campus for inner city children, volunteers at homeless shelters and food banks and participates in fundraisers for various charities.

Jennifer Stearns of Fanwood, who will be a senior at James Madison University majoring in accounting and writing, received \$3,000. When at home, Stearns is a volunteer with the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad and at a local animal shelter. She also has been involved with UNICEF Fund Raising, March of Dimes, a bowl-a-thon fundraiser and holiday food drives.

The Service League also gave the Ann Gannon Memorial Scholarship, which was funded in her memory by her friends. Gannon, who recently passed away, had been a volunteer for the Thrift Shop since 1987 after she retired from working for the school district. She was known as a remarkable lady giving of her time and energy freely.

Amanda Hettler from Scotch Plains received the Ann Gannon Memorial Scholarship of \$3,360. Hettler will be a senior at The College of New Jersey, majoring in special education. She has been a part of the Council for Exceptional Children, a school organization that holds events for disabled people in the community. Twice a week, she works with an autistic boy on his social and academic skills, as well as tutoring underprivileged children.

Anyone interested in volunteering for several hours a week at the Thrift Shop should contact the shop at (908) 322-5420.



Kids hatch chicks at Evergreen

Kindergarten students from Evergreen School in Scotch Plains recently had the opportunity to hatch chicks in their own classrooms. Mrs. Sanders' and Mrs. Skaar's students studied animals and their young as part of their science curriculum. As a culminating activity, eggs were brought in from Quiver Farms for incubation. The children each experienced turning and caring for the eggs. Finally the eggs hatched and baby chicks arrived; the chicks stayed at Evergreen School for about a week before the farmer returned and took the chicks back to the farm. Pictured above are kindergarten students Dominic Gannon, Kyle Coupe, Gabriela Macpherson and Calle Santo Salvo.

American Legion Post installs 2004-05 officers

WESTFIELD—Members of the American Legion, Martin Wallberg Post 3 of Westfield recently elected officers for the 2004-2005 year. The installation of officers was conducted by the Union County Legion members at the June meeting.

The officers for the coming organizational year are:

Commander, Peter Hogaboom;

Senior Vice Commander, Bob Jordan;

Junior Vice Commander, Fred Wening;

Adjutant, Bob Kley;

Financial Officer, Ralph Douglas;

Chaplain, Al Riker;

Sergeant-at-Arms, Dick Koski;

Historian, Bill Kessinger;

Service Officer, Pat Tighe;

Judge Advocate, Sean Mullen;

Trustees, Jim Brennan,

Harry Powers, Ray Yannuzzi

and Art Badala;

Bar Chairman, Bob Tinervin;

Grounds Chairman, Harry Powers;

Boys State Chairman, Al Riker.

In other club news the poppy sale was completed, and the Post members expressed their thanks to the local merchants who allowed them to sell poppies in front of their establishments. Those establishments were the South Avenue 7-11, Trader Joe's, Drug Fair, Stop & Shop, the Westfield Post Office and the ShopRite in Garwood.

A new drop-off box for old retired flags is now in place at the side of the post, and three delegates and two alternates have been selected by the Post to attend this year's Boys State sessions.

The Post is looking for new members for the Legion, the Sons of the Legion (SAL), and the Auxiliary. And members encourage veterans recently returning from military duty to pay a visit to the Post home.

Jean Margaret Hannis

WESTFIELD — Jean Margaret Hannis, 87, died June 16, 2004 at the Pine Acres Nursing Home in Madison.

Born in Ashley, Pa., she lived in Cranford and Westfield before moving to Basking Ridge.

Miss Hannis graduated from Nyack College and was a volunteer at the Westfield Senior Citizens Housing complex. She was a deaconess and Sunday school teacher at the Cranford Alliance Church, of which she was a member for over 75 years.

She also was active in her church's Alliance Retired Fellowship and served on the church Missionary Committee. A sister, Anna Lanker, died in

1950. A brother, Clarence, died in 1998.

Surviving are a brother, William E. of Westfield; three sisters, Irene Feltly of Chester, Mary Knauer of Vero Beach, Fla., and Ruth B. Franz of Bridgewater; and several nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grand-nephews.

A memorial service was held Wednesday at the Cranford Alliance Church.

Arrangements were by the Gray Memorial Funeral Home in Cranford. Donations may be sent to the Mission Fund of the Cranford Alliance Church, 7 Cherry St., Cranford, NJ 07016-2812.

Agnes Sebring

WESTFIELD — Agnes Mohr Sebring, 88, died June 15, 2004 at Genesis ElderCare-Westfield Center.

Born in Union, she lived in Millburn and Fanwood before moving to Westfield.

Mrs. Sebring worked for Weston Electric in Newark during World War II. She was a member of the Fanwood Senior Citizens Club.

Her husband, Joseph E., died in 1958.

Surviving are a son, Thomas L. of Manhattan and Kent,

Robert Lepre

WESTFIELD — Robert G. Lepre, 67, died June 16, 2004 at Ocean Medical Center in Brick.

Born in Orange, he lived in Westfield before moving to Point Pleasant in 1984.

Mr. Lepre was an Army veteran and a longtime purchasing agent with AMI Inc. in Branchburg. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Point Pleasant, Elks Lodge 1698 in Point Pleasant, and the Islamorada Fishing Club

in Islamorada, Fla.

Surviving are his wife, Pat; and three brothers, George, Gennaro and David.

A funeral Mass was held Saturday at St. Martha Roman Catholic Church in Point Pleasant. Entombment was in the St. Catharine Mausoleum, Sea Girt.

Arrangements were by the Pable-Evertz Funeral Home in Point Pleasant.

Stephen Stefiuk Jr.

WESTFIELD — Stephen Stefiuk Jr., 56, died June 11, 2004 at North Shore Medical Center in Miami, Fla.

Born in Newark, he lived in Westfield before moving to Miami.

Mr. Stefiuk worked in the insurance industry for 10 years and before that was a salesman with Federal Bronze Products Inc. in Newark. He earned a degree from the University of Miami.

His mother, Frances, is deceased.

Surviving are his former wife, Trudi; his father, Stephen Sr.; two daughters, Maggie Stefiuk-Villareal and Shanina; a son, Stephen III; a sister, Jane Archambault; two brothers, Jack and George; a grandchild; and 13 nieces and nephews.

Services were held June 14 at the Van Orsdel Funeral Chapels in Kendall, Fla. Donations may be sent to the American Cancer Society.

Dorothy Lutz

SCOTCH PLAINS — Dorothy M. Lutz, 84, died June 16, 2004 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Queens, she lived in Glen Rock and Wayne before moving to Scotch Plains in 2003.

Mrs. Lutz was an executive secretary in the toy industry prior to her retirement. She earned certification as an executive secretary through Miss Dunbar's Secretarial College.

In Wayne she was a member of the Golden Age Circle and the Golden Key Seniors. Mrs. Lutz was a member of senior citizens groups at three Roman Catholic

churches: Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary parish in Wayne, St. Mary parish in Pompton Lakes and St. Helen parish in Westfield.

Her husband, Joseph E., died in 1999.

Surviving are a son, Jeffrey; four grandchildren, three nieces and a nephew.

Services were held Saturday at the Vander May Wayne Colonial Funeral Home, Wayne, followed by a funeral Mass at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church. Donations may be sent to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church.

Patricia Monsell

Patricia Monsell, 51, died June 10, 2004 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Newport, R.I., she lived in Watchung and North Plainfield before moving to Martinsville in 1984.

Mrs. Monsell was a co-owner of the Four Seasons Ski and Snowboard Shop in Green Brook for 27 years. She was a parish-

ioneer of Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church in Martinsville.

Her husband, James, died in 2004.

Surviving are her parents, Donald and Ruth Murray of Green Brook; a son, Jason, and a daughter, Jennifer, both of Martinsville; two brothers, Thomas Murray of Westfield and John Murray of Dunellen; and seven sisters, Connie Tamburini of Golden, Colo., Diane Valentino, Christine Blackadar and Jacqueline Desnoyers, all of Watchung; Sandy Murray, Lorie Hopeck and Colleen Galicki, all of Green Brook.

Mass was offered at St. Mary's Church-Stony Hill in Watchung. Entombment was in St. Mary's-Stony Hill Mausoleum, Watchung.

Arrangements were by Sheenan Funeral Home in Dunellen. Donations may be sent to Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America, 45 Wilson Ave., Manalapan, NJ 07726.

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Jeremias Dubyk

SCOTCH PLAINS — Jeremias T. Dubyk, 59, died June 17, 2004 at King Edward VII Memorial Hospital in Paget, Bermuda.

Born in Austria, Dr. Dubyk settled in Trenton when he came to the United States in 1949. He lived in Scotch Plains before moving to Springfield in 1954.

A memorial service was held Wednesday at the Cranford Alliance Church.

Arrangements were by the Gray Memorial Funeral Home in Cranford. Donations may be sent to the Mission Fund of the Cranford Alliance Church, 7 Cherry St., Cranford, NJ 07016-2812.

Dr. Dubyk began his OB/GYN practice in Newark after serving as

an intern in that city at St. Michael's Medical Center. He earned a bachelor's degree from La Salle University and his medical degree in 1974 from the UMDNJ-New Jersey Medical School.

He was in the Army National Guard in Plainfield.

His father, Bohan, is deceased.

Surviving are his wife, Theresa Walker-Dubyk; his mother, Olha; two sons, Mychal and Adrian; a daughter, Larissa; two aunts and many cousins.

Services were held Wednesday at the Rossi Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to the American Heart Association or a cancer society.

Kevin Kaplan

at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church.

His father, Eugene, is deceased.

Surviving are his mother, Barbara Dempski Kaplan of Westfield; a brother, Keith of Chester Springs, Pa.; a sister, Mary Addeo of Gardena, Calif.; and a nephew.

A funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. tomorrow at St. Helen's Church on Lamberts Mill Road. Entombment will be in the Good Shepherd Chapel Mausoleum at St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. today at the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Ave. Donations may be sent to American Brain Tumor Association, 2720 River Road, Suite 146, Des Plaines, IL 60018.

Rose E. Miele

deceased.

Surviving are a son, Frank; a daughter, Anita Meyer; two brothers, Joseph Tulimiero and Vito Tulimiero; a sister, Carmella Codomo; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be 11:15 a.m. tomorrow at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church on Lamberts Mill Road. Arrangements are by Direct Cremations in Paterson.

Carolyn Messina

brother, Louis.

Surviving are three daughters, Vera Baran, Camille Rohm and Lucille; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be 10 a.m. Monday at the Gray Funeral Home, 318 E. Broad St. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Donations may be sent to the Autism Society of America or the hospice of your choice.

Mary Elizabeth Robinson

member of the Women of Irish Heritage, Cranford Dramatic Club, Cranford Swim Club and Roselle Golf Club.

Surviving are her husband of 47 years, former Cranford Mayor Edward Robinson; three sons, Mark and wife Karen of Cranford, Christopher and wife Linda of California and Neil and wife Michelle of Millstone; two brothers, Leo Lynch and John Lynch; two sisters, Patricia Tierney and Kathleen Foley; and two granddaughters.

A funeral Mass will be 9:30 a.m. today at St. Mark's Church, 215 Crescent Parkway, Sea Girt. Burial will be private.

Arrangements are by the O'Brien Funeral Home in Wall. Donations may be sent to the Social Concerns Committee at St. Mark's Church.

John J. Hynds

volunteer tax preparer with the AARP.

His wife, Irene, died in 1996.

Surviving are a daughter, Diane Stone; a son, Jack; a sister, Mary Valdes; two brothers, Frank and Joseph; and three grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held June 17 at St. Michael's Church. Entombment was in the Gate of Heaven Chapel Mausoleum, East Hanover.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to the charity of your choice.

Charlotte Hourican

Her husband, Michael James Hourican, died in 1979. A daughter, Deborah Ray Hourican, died in 1984.

Surviving is a sister, Edythe McCarthy of Bayville.

Arrangements are by the Dooley Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to Cranford First Aid Squad, P.O. Box 1771, Cranford, NJ 07016 or First Presbyterian Church, 11 Springfield Ave., Cranford, NJ 07016.

More than 90 honored at high school ceremony

WESTFIELD — Three teachers and more than 90 students were recognized at Westfield High School's Annual Awards Night June 3, when over 110 awards were presented for outstanding achievement during the 2002-03 academic year.

Presentations to staff included:

The Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award: Kimberly Gosen-Fowler;

Robert and Linda Foose Memorial Award for Excellence in Teaching: Les Jacobsen;

PTSO's Outstanding Teacher Award: Roy Chambers;

Presentations to students included:

Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars: Stephen Adamo, Rebecca Bellovin, Benjamin Bogen, Hannah Burke, Dorothy Chou, Suzanna Fowler, Katherine Greenberg, Adam Gerckens, Carolyn Harbaugh, Sarah Hoban, Peter Itz, Anthony Johnson, Paul Johnson, Elizabeth Keating, Somi Kim, Kimberly Lam, Kelli Layton, James Leong, Meghan Limaye, Brian Mahoney, Jacob Mirsky, Richard Moran, Adam Novick, Amanda Reider, Matthew Rowe, Neril Sandeep, Michael Shefflin, Lauren Steller, Tovah Tripp, and Kate Warren;

National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists and Finalists: Rebecca Bellovin and Meghan Limaye;

National Merit Scholarship: Rebecca Bellovin, Kelli Layton and Meghan Limaye;

Norman "Flip" Chambless Award (participants in WHS sports program): Tyshon Blackmon and Nicole Brunetto;

Katherine Cuthbertson Memorial Achievement Award (to students who demonstrated conscientious work skills, consistent effort, good character and community involvement): Jillianne May and Shari Thomashow;

Dorothy Kirkley Memorial Award (from the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Assn.): Prudence Alexander, Tyshon Blackmon and Jennell Carter;

Douglas J. Odenkirk Memorial Award (to a senior who will continue his/her education in a vocational, business or trade school): Monique Franklin;

Westfield Jaycees Scholarship: Jennell Carter and Danielle Palentchar;

Awareness Club Award (involvement in activities of the Awareness program): Prudence Alexander, Jennell Carter, Alicia Fairfax, Monique Franklin, Thomas Hailu and Ja'Net Tiller;

Marc Wesley Hardy Awareness Club Memorial Award (for excellence in leadership and concern for others): Ja'Net Tiller;

Laurence F. Greene Achievement Award (Project '79): Julia Yanovich;

Westfield Education Association Scholarship (academics & community service): Eadaoin Quinn and Ja'Net Tiller; Kelli Layton (Nancy Didier Memorial Scholarship);

Westfield Association of Educational Secretaries Scholarship: Tara Steiner;

Westfield Association of Administrators and Supervisors Scholarship (for excellence in scholarship and service to school/community, and is pursuing an education toward the teaching profession): Prudence Alexander and Amanda Genova;

Gail W. Trimble Memorial Award (excellence in journalism): Dorothy Chou;

Prudential Spirit of Community Award: Emily and Kate Warren;

German Scholarship Award: Rebecca Bellovin and Irina Sheremeteva;

Noel & Thelma Taylor Memorial Award (excellence in both English and Science): Rebecca Bellovin;

Parent-Teacher Council Scholarship: Erica Bucciarelli, Jennell Carter; Mikaela Cruz, Monique Franklin, Claire Ganley, Carrie Hubbard, Elizabeth Joyce, Anthony LaVecchia, Cassandra Lo, Danielle Palentchar, Aurora Rivendale, Irina Sheremeteva, Michael Sherry, Tara Steiner, Ja'Net Tiller and Kathryn Yoo;

Citadel Scholarship: Sean Callahan;

Ashmawy Peace Award: Dorothy Chou;

Road Memorial Award: Nicole Cozzu;

McMartin Scholarship (for a student with high achievement and character): Suzanna Fowler;

Lisa K. Monteleone Teaching Scholarship: Amanda Genova;

Anton's photos on view at gallery

An opening reception will be held 6-9 p.m. June 24 at the Juxtapose Gallery in Westfield for a show presenting the work of local photographer Sandra Anton.

The show, set on the theme "Summer House Memories," features photographs of Long Beach Island as well as other summer communities such as Provincetown, Mass.

Sandra Anton, a New York City native, has lived in Westfield for the past 11 years, and has owned summer homes in Loveladies on Long Beach Island for the past seven summers. She retired last year from Agere Systems, and immediately began exploring two new careers in photography and landscape design.

Her work is carried in several other galleries in New Jersey, the Expressions Gallery in Chester, and the North End Trilogy Gallery in Barnegat Light. Her work also was included in a group



Westfield's Juxtapose Gallery presents an exhibit featuring photographs by local artist Sandra Anton.

show in New York City at the Photo District Gallery in November of 2003.

Anton's work will be featured on the new Southern Ocean County Chamber of Commerce website this year, and her work can also be seen at her websites at www.LBIMemories.com, and www.sandraanton.com. The show at Juxtapose is her first solo exhibit.

Anton's work has been

described by those who collect it, as well as other professional photographers, as having "wonderful composition and clarity and a very linear style, which is inviting and quite rich." The show will run from June 24 until July 8, just in time for those families heading off to summer homes of their own to carry a new work of art with them to start the summer off with an artistic flourish.

The Juxtapose gallery, established in 1975, is a multi-media gallery featuring the work of new artists as well as established artists, such as Joanna Wezyk, Elizabeth Estivalet, Don Hatfield, Dorothy Ganek and Donielle Desplon.

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music in Warren Township and is completing his first year with the band. Duncan, a resident of Toms River, is in his 24th season performing with the band and also performs with the Carteret American Legion Band.

Additional highlights will include "Victory at Sea" by Richard Rodgers, "American Patrol" by Meecham and "Stars and Stripes Forever" by John P. Sousa.

The program will include a presentation by the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution and the Town Crier bringing news to the audience, as it was done in colonial

times. The Westfield Community Band's Summer Concert series will continue on Thursdays July 8 and 15 in Mindowaskin Park. All events are free to the public, and it is suggested that the audience bring lawn chairs or blankets.

In the event of rain, the concert will be held at the Westfield Presbyterian Church in the Assembly Hall, at the rear entrance to the church.

The Westfield Community Band's Summer Concert Series is sponsored by the Westfield Recreation Department. For more information, call (908) 789-4080.



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past 13 years.

Other features of the evening will include "El Capitan" by John P. Sousa, "Procession of the Nobles" by Rimsky Korsakov and the "Die Fledermaus Overture" by Johann Strauss.

The summer concert series continues 7:30 p.m. July 1, as the Westfield Community Band performs a selection of patriotic music in an Independence Day celebration accompanied by the Sons of the American Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution.

A feature in that evening's concert will be a trio of trumpets on "The Three Solitaires" by Victor Herbert. The evening's performers will be Parisi, Joel Van Tine and Tom Duncan.

Van Tine, a resident of Union, teaches instrumental

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Faillace featured at Pearl St. Gallery

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is presenting an exhibit of artworks by Rachael Faillace of Berkeley Heights in the gallery space at the offices of the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, located at 633 Pearl St. in Elizabeth.

"The new exhibit in the Pearl Street Gallery features the creations of award-winning painter and printmaker Rachael Faillace," said Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada. "Ms. Faillace has been an art instructor in the Berkeley Heights and New Providence Recreation Departments, and we are honored to display her thought-provoking artwork."

Faillace earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Illustration from the Rhode Island School of Design. She is working toward her Master of Fine Arts in Visual Arts from the Mason Gross School of the Arts in New Brunswick.

While pursuing a career as a working artist, Faillace has committed herself to sharing her extensive knowledge and skills as an art instructor, exhibit curator, and reviewer.

Her work has been in many invitational exhibits throughout New Jersey and in New York City. The title of the exhibit is "Rachael Faillace: Sub/urban," reflecting her observations of changes in the New Jersey landscape.

Faillace's paintings and prints are on display at the Pearl Street Gallery from now through July 30. Gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"We are proud to see the work of one of Berkeley Heights' talented artists shown in the beautiful and historic St. John's Parsonage," said Freeholder Mary P. Ruotolo, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "The talent and diversity of all our local artists assures an ongoing variety of interesting exhibits. We thank Ms. Faillace for sharing her beautiful paintings."

Union County artists whose works can be hung on a wall and are interested in exhibiting in the gallery are welcome to apply.

For more information about the Pearl Street Gallery, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth, NJ 07202, by telephone at (908) 558-2550 or via email at culturalinfo@ucnj.org.

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'Fairy Queen' on tap Sunday in Westfield

The New Jersey Concert Opera presents "The Fairy Queen," written by Henry Purcell, 3 p.m. June 27 at the Westfield Methodist Church in Westfield.

This early opera is based on Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream," and features forces of nature, a drunken poet, lovers, a Chinese couple, forces of nature and emotions and of course, fairies. The performance is collaboration between the Harmonium Choral from Madison, directed by Anne Matlock and the NJCO.

Matlock will play the harpsichord for the performance. The orchestra will feature viola da gamba, recorders and lute as well as strings and bassoon.

NJCO is excited to have countertenors Jason Badger and Michael Markwiss join the company for this performance. Countertenors are singers who

have perfected falsetto singing. In Purcell's time, female opera roles were sung by male countertenors and castrati (men who had been castrated to keep their soprano sound).

Badger specializes in countertenor singing. He was a 2003 Metropolitan Opera Regional Winner. Markwiss is a noted local musician who sings bass as well as countertenor.

The cast is rounded out by sopranos Nicole Franklin, Nadine Robison and Katherine Bolcar; tenor Harv Wileman; baritones Kevin Pruner and Don Sheasley.

Robert Butts, conductor, will lead the orchestra as well as play the lute.

Tickets are \$20 at the door. Seniors and students are \$10. For more information, call (908) 822-2515 or visit www.njconcertopera.com.

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Alphorn Ensemble concerts underway

The NJWA Alphorn Ensemble opened its summer concert series Wednesday, June 23 in the gazebo in Mindowaskin Park in Westfield.

The series will continue on June 30, July 7, 21, and 28, with shows beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The ensemble will perform selections from traditional Swiss polkas, marches, jazz, American and international folk and adaptations from classical music.

Dr Ted Schlosberg, founder and executive director of New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, an arts education organization located in Westfield, is also the music director of the ensemble,

which is now in its fifth year. The ensemble has performed on televised broadcasts including Nickelodeon and the Food Channel and internationally, when the horns were featured at the World Cup Biathlon at Fort Kent, Maine.

In New Jersey, the ensemble has appeared at the annual New Jersey State German Festival, and community arts fairs. Civic organizations such as the Westfield Rotary, the Masons,

the Westfield Art Association Art Show, the Westfield Chamber of Commerce and the Westfield Downtown Corporation have utilized the Alphorns to enhance

community events. The performers, in addition to Schlosberg, are Martina Struck, Walter Metzger, William Carter and Matthew Forman.

Schlosberg will provide an Alphorn demonstration workshop at the gazebo from 7 to 7:30 p.m. for anyone who would like to try playing this instrument. There will be no rain date.

The Alphorn Summer Series was developed through the assistance of the Westfield Department of Recreation.

For information about the Alphorn workshop or any other NJWA programs, call (908) 789-9696.

High school receives awards from Paper Mill

On June 8, Westfield High School's spring musical production "Evita" was in the spotlight at Papermill Playhouse's annual Rising Star Award ceremonies. Westfield High School's Ryan Leonard captured the Best Actor in a Musical award for his por-

trayal as Che Guevara in "Evita," competing against 114 other actors.

Westfield High School also received the Educational Impact Award for incorporating the historical, political and cultural lessons in Evita into the classroom.

Led by Suzanne Jacobus of Westfield High School and Lynne Gerber at Roosevelt Intermediate School, an entire curriculum unit was developed around the production for intermediate and high school students in the Spanish foreign language program.

Joe Nierle, Westfield High School drama teacher, received Honorable Mention for the Best Production; Erica Cenci, a graduate of Westfield, received

Honorable Mention for Best Choreography; and the school also was acknowledged with an Honorable Mention for Outstanding Performance for a Chorus.

Samantha Hooper-Hamersley had been nominated as Best Actress for her starring role as Evita. A nomination for Best Lighting was also added to the recognitions for the school.

A total of 115 schools competed for top honors.

Following the award ceremony, which recognized the quality of Westfield High School's production of "Evita," Mr. Nierle said, "Without a doubt, our students rose above all the levels of expectation in this production."

Concert series kicks off June 30

Union County's Summer Arts Festival concert series is set to begin on Wednesday, June 30, with a performance by the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, led by Chairman Angel G. Estrada, invites the public to attend this free concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m. in Echo Lake Park at the border of Westfield and Mountainside.

The performance, entitled "Showstoppers," celebrates music composed for the stage, and is part of the orchestra's annual outdoor Summer Parks Tour sponsored by Fleet and Pfizer. Estrada urges residents to "bring the entire family, pack a picnic basket, bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, and enjoy an evening in Echo Lake Park along with a superb musical presentation."

The other free concerts in the Summer Arts Festival series include:

July 7 - Mustang Sally; July 14 - De Sol; July 21 - Brass Tacks Big Band Orchestra, sponsored by Schering Plough Corporation;

July 28 - Verdict, sponsored by Wachovia; August 4 - Sensational Soul Cruisers, sponsored by Union County Education Association;

August 11 - The Ed Palermo Big Band with Rob Paparozzi; August 18 - JoBonanno & the Godsons of Soul, and Captain Hawker & the All Stars;

August 25 - The Party Dolls, sponsored by ConocoPhillips-Bayway Refinery.

In case of rain, Wednesday's NJSO concert will be cancelled.

For more information call the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4900.

Officials mark arts center's 75th birthday

The Union County Arts Center recently celebrated the 75th anniversary of its historic theater with a gala dinner-dance at L'Afaiere in Mountainside.

Rahway Mayor James Kennedy, who touted the Arts Center as the "crown jewel" of the city's growing arts district, greeted guests. Union County Freeholder Chairman Angel Estrada also reinforced the county's commitment to fund renovations to the theater that will enhance patron comfort and expand the theater's technical capabilities.

Among the guests attending the gala were New Jersey's first lady, Dina Matos McGreevey, Assemblywoman Linda Stender, members of Union County's Board of Chosen Freeholders, Rahway City Council members, and trustees of the Arts Center.

The gala was a culmination of a season-long celebration of the Union County Arts Center's Diamond Jubilee. The theater, which is listed on the National and State Registers of Historic Places, opened in 1928 as a vaudeville/motion picture palace. After many years as a movie theater, it fell into disrepair and was threatened by demolition. In 1984, a grassroots effort by local theater enthusiasts led to the purchase and extensive renovation of the theater.

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Student's Peace Poster wins District level honors

WESTFIELD—For the seventh straight year, the Westfield Lions Club has participated in the International Association of Lions Club's Peace Poster Contest. The contest must be sponsored by a local Lions Club and is open to children around the world between the ages of 11 and 13.

Lions International's theme for this year's contest was "Create a Brighter Future," and the young artists put their visions of that theme down on paper.

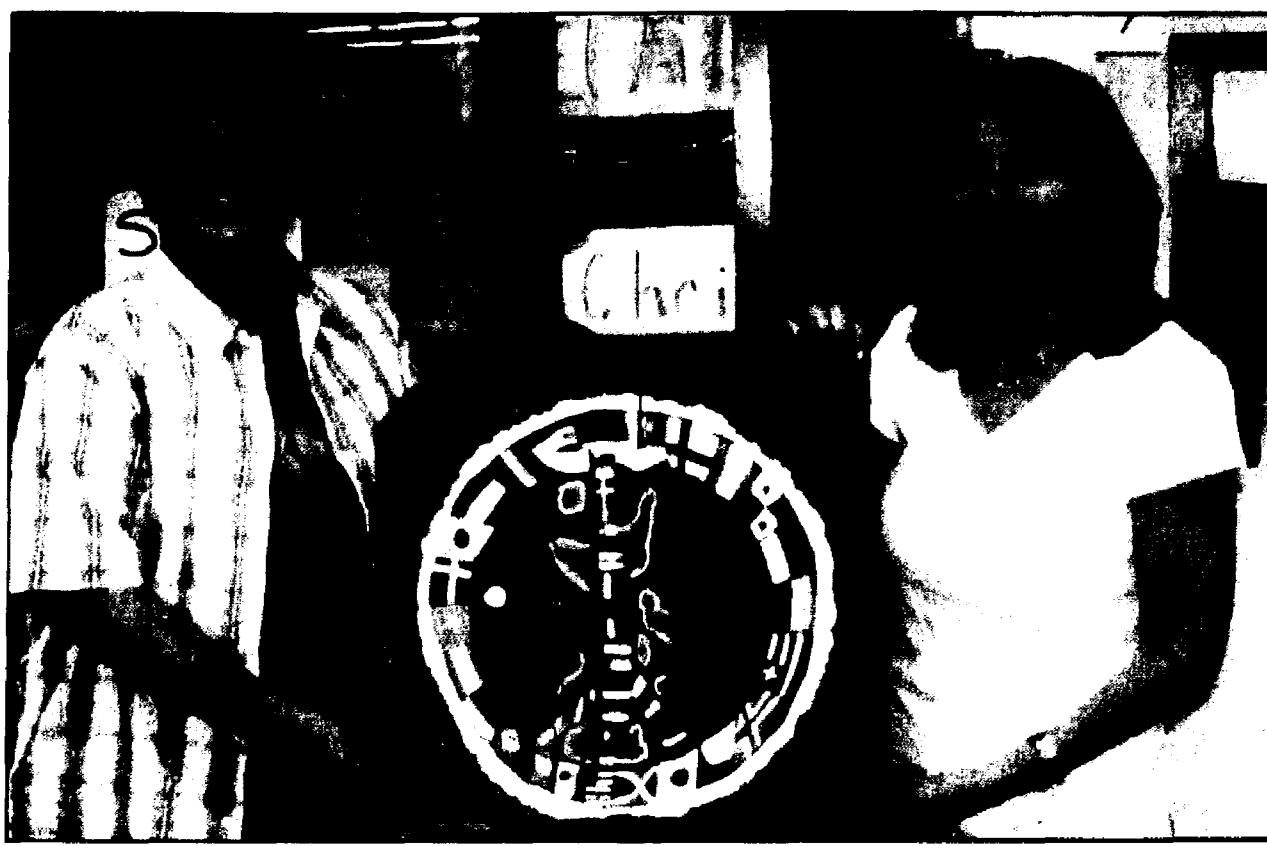
Anne Cohen, the art instructor at Roosevelt Intermediate School, supported and encouraged the students in her art classes to participate in the contest.

This year, Phil Cohn was Roosevelt's contest winner and his

entry went on to represent the Westfield Lions Club in the District level judging. Out of the 58 Lions Clubs in the District, 23 had a poster entered in the contest. Judging was held at a District Cabinet meeting, and Phil's entry was selected to represent the District in the state level of judging. The winning entry selected from the five Lions Districts would then go on to represent New Jersey at the next level of judging.

Phil's poster did not win at the state level, but the Westfield Lions Club is extremely proud of his accomplishment. He was awarded several certificates, an engraved desk set and a savings bond at the Westfield Lions Club's 80th anniversary celebration.

Phil Cohn is shown displaying his winning entry in the Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest at the Westfield Lions Club's 80th anniversary celebration at Roosevelt Intermediate School. His art instructor Anne Cohen looks on.



PBA hosts blood drive

WESTFIELD—The Westfield PBA Local 90 will hold a blood drive 2-7:30 p.m. Monday in the Community Room on 425 E. Broad St.

New Jersey Blood Services has issued an urgent appeal for blood donations. Blood drives are 50 percent below what is needed to meet hospital needs, and rationing to area hospitals began in mid-April.

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JCC of Central NJ wins awards for communications, programming

SCOTCH PLAINS—The JCC of Central NJ, located at 1391 Martine Ave., was honored for its communications and programming accomplishments at the JCCs of North America's Biennial held May 2-5 in Montreal, Canada.

More than 1,000 people from the US, Canada, Israel and countries in Latin America and Europe attended the meeting of JCC leaders and volunteers.

Every two years at its Biennial Convention, the JCC Association recognizes the JCCs of North America's outstanding achievements in communications market

ments in communications, marketing, and public relations. The JCC Association's Communications Awards honor exceptional efforts in their field.

Entries are submitted by JCCs according to budget size. The categories are broadcast advertising, brochures, direct mail, newsletters,

program guides, special event publicity campaigns, special promotional materials, video, and website.

The JCC of Central NJ's direct mail brochure for Jewish Book Month (2003) and the Fall Program Guide (2003) received awards. Susan Lemerman, JCC Director of Cultural Arts and Education, and Deanna Fredericks, JCC Public Relations Director, worked with Charley Nasta of CIN Graphic Design to site. YWHA, and camp sites in the US and Canada. JCC Association offers a wide range of services and resources to strengthen the capacity of its affiliates to provide educational, cultural, social, Jewish identity-building, and recreational programs to enhance the lives of North American Jews of all ages and backgrounds. Additionally, the movement

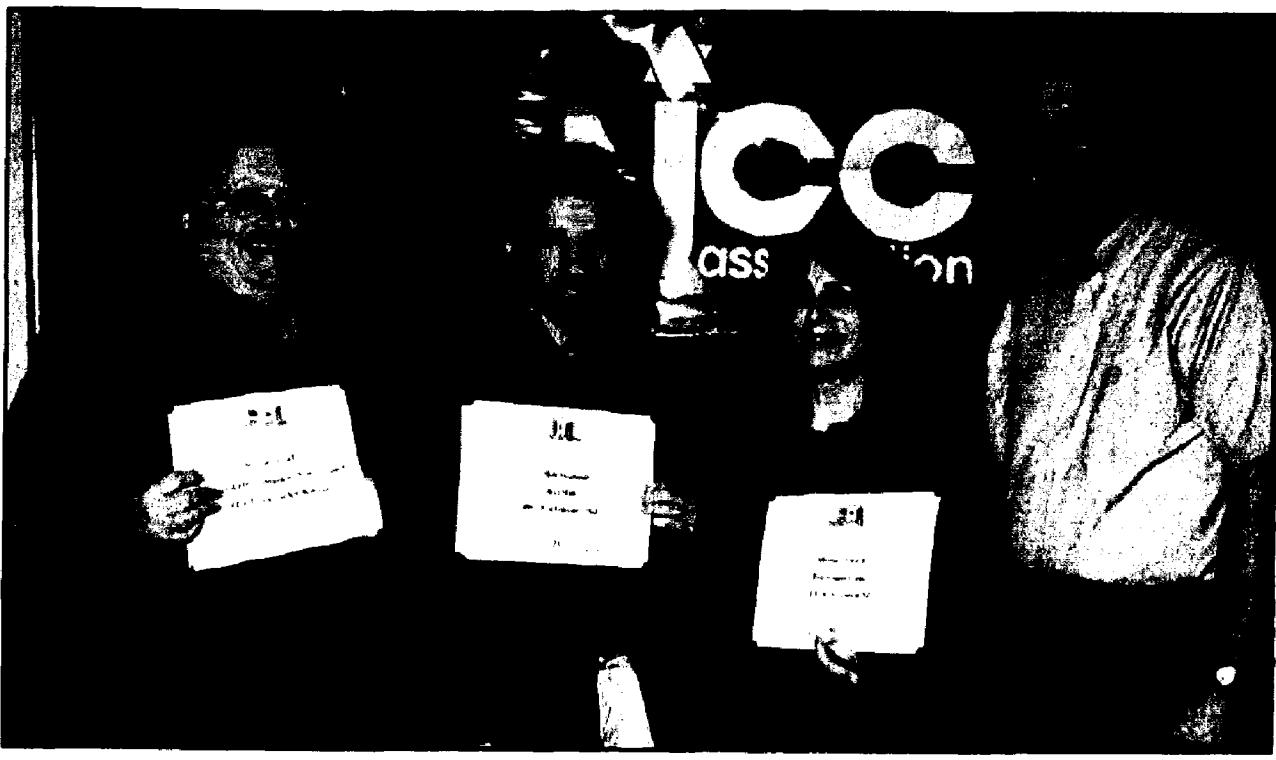
Nasta of CJN Graphic Design to create the award winning publications.

The JCC's Leadership Development program originated

Additionally, the movement aims to foster and strengthen connections between North American Jews and Israel as well as with world Jewry.

Development program, originated by former JCC Assistant Executive Director, Lois Altschul, was also recognized with a merit award for innovative programming.

JCC Association is the leadership network of, and central to, the Jewish community. The JCC Association is the leader in the field of Jewish community service, and is the largest Jewish voluntary organization in the United States.



Pictured receiving Merit Awards on behalf of the JCC of Central NJ are, from left, Allen Barkin, first vice president; Scott Lazar, board member; Suzanne Tucker, board member/volunteer of the year; and Richard Corman, executive director.

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Sports

MURPHY'S LAW U.S. Open no longer the best

By DANIEL MURPHY

THE RECORD-PRESS

For more than two months I've been having an off-and-on debate with a friend about which golf tournament is better — the U.S. Open or The Masters.

I've argued stringently, both in emails with my friend and in this space, that the Open is infinitely better than The Masters and that it is one of the great sporting events of the year.

But after this weekend's tournament I'm not so sure anymore.

The U.S. Open is still great and will always be a great tournament, but if the USGA is going to set up the course to play so difficult that the best golfers in the world look like municipal course hacks, The Masters will pass it by.

I've seen enough golfers zig-zag their way down narrow fairways, roll 50-yard wedges over asphalt-hard greens, take two or three swings to get out of a bunker and three-putt from 10 feet in my 10-plus years caddying that I don't need to see it on my television too.

(Seriously, guys, I'm just kidding. You all play phenomenal golf and it is an honor and a privilege to carry your bags. You are all tremendous golfers and, more importantly, tremendous people. Keep the tips coming.)

When I sit on my couch on a Sunday afternoon, I want to see guys making birdies. When you watch the Super Bowl, you want to see a 35-yard bomb or a 47-yard field goal win the game. Not a series of fumbles, interceptions, missed field goals and botched clock management.

You don't want to see the World Series-winning run score on a wild pitch, but rather on a home run or a broken bat flare in the bottom of the ninth inning over the outstretched glove of Alfonso Soriano.

Championships shouldn't be decided by who makes the least amount of mistakes, but rather by who makes the most plays.

I've always loved the U.S. Open because of the challenge it creates for the players. It is what the USGA wants it to be, a true test of golf. I love seeing miss-hit drives disappear into the rough. I love seeing players guessing at the wind and having to get creative with their shot-making.

But I don't like the current philosophy the USGA is using to set up course. Missing a fairway used to not just be jail, but a Turkish prison because the rough was knee-high and gnarly. But this year's champ, Retief Goosen, hit just a third of the fairways on Sunday but was still able to advance the ball towards the green and put himself in position for pars. That's not supposed to happen at a U.S. Open.

Since the Open was last played at Pinehurst, where they'll be returning next year, the setup of the courses has shifted from high, nasty rough penalizing errant drives and approach shots to lightning quick greens and shaved aprons that cause shots to trickle down slopes 30 feet behind the green.

The U.S. Open shouldn't be our best impersonation of the British Open. The challenges the players face should be unique to each major.

Players should be forced to hit drives in the fairway and if successful have the option of being aggressive with their second shot. If they miss-hit their approach, they'll be left with some nasty chips from around the green.

Instead the USGA sets up the course so that safe and conservative is the best you can do. It's like tuning in to watch drag racing and seeing a driver-ed class.

The Masters, as demonstrated by this year's phenomenal final nine hole shootout, allows players the opportunity to be aggressive and go for birdie, but also has trouble waiting for the errant shot.

Not a single one of the 66 players that competed Sunday — 66 of the greatest players in the world — broke par. The U.S. Open can still be the ultimate test of golf but it doesn't have to be impossible.



JOHN FEI/RECORD-PRESS CORRESPONDENT

Scotch Plains centerfielder Matt Powers was a key contributor to the Raiders' championship season, both with the glove and in the lead-off spot.

Champs looking to retool

By DANIEL MURPHY

THE RECORD-PRESS

With a lineup consisting mostly of underclassmen the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High baseball team put together a near-perfect final month of the season and has its sights set on bigger and better things next year.

The Raiders captured their first Union County Tournament championship in 28 years and tied for the Watchung Conference-National Division crown with Westfield, finishing 18-5 on the season.

After dropping two games at the end of April, Scotch Plains finished the season by winning 14 of its final 15 games. The only loss was a disappointing 11-3 setback to South Plainfield in the first round of the state tournament.

"Everything worked out pretty well," said first-year head coach Tom Baylock. "The only thing that was disappointing was the state tournament. But you have to take it one thing at a time."

Winning the county championship may have been the first step for the Raiders, but it was also a step Baylock wasn't counting on at

the beginning of the season. With few players on the squad entering the season with any varsity experience, Baylock wasn't sure how quickly the Raiders would reach their potential.

"I didn't know what to expect," said Baylock. "A lot of the kids had only played JV and the ones that were with the varsity hadn't played all that much. I knew they were talented but wasn't sure how quickly they'd adjust to the varsity level. I think everybody pretty much exceeded expectations."

And while many key contributors will be back next season, there are several holes to fill. The process of filling those holes has already begun with the American Legion season. Baylock is coaching the team this summer, choosing a squad of only players who will be at the high school next year, and using the campaign as prolonged tryout for next spring's season.

Leadoff hitter and centerfielder Matt Powers (team-high .412 batting average), leftfielder Kyle Baker (.383), second baseman Ed Zazzali (.339, 4 home runs, 23 runs), designated hitter Jared Montagna (.382, 3 home runs, 14 RBI) and third baseman Andrew

Mulvey (.364) have all graduated, leaving several key positions open for competition.

The senior legion team has started the season 3-3. Baylock is carrying a squad of 18 players and subbing a new group in after four innings of every game, no matter the situation.

While there are holes to fill, Scotch Plains has a deep and experienced pitching staff returning, led by James Scalfaro, who was 5-0 this year with a 2.64 ERA and the winning pitcher in the county final. Sean Varsolona went 4-3 with three saves. Marco Giasullo was 4-2, Matt Scibek went 3-0 and Montagna was 2-0. Junior shortstop Chris D'Annunzio could also see some time on the hill next year.

Kyle Gates looks like the early favorite to win the centerfield job and Scibek looks ready to take over at second. Catcher Kevin Urban (.313, four home runs), first baseman John Maloney (.410), D'Annunzio (.338) and Mike Dinizio will all return to the starting lineup.

The other jobs are still very much up in the air. Scotch Plains will host Union 10:30 a.m. Saturday and Berkeley Heights at 5:45 p.m. Monday before hosting Westfield 5:45 p.m. Wednesday.

Devils struggled against tough slate

By DAVID LAZARUS

RECORD-PRESS CORRESPONDENT

Westfield High School boys tennis coach George Kapner has used a simple philosophy in all five sports he has coached — play the best teams you can schedule and hopefully they will help you improve come playoff time.

Most seasons the strategy has come to fruition, with numerous section and state titles as the evidence, but this spring's tennis squad came up short against a brutal early schedule and, despite a strong finish, ended at a somewhat disappointing 16-10. In his fourteen previous seasons as coach, Kapner had lost only 67 matches, an average of less than five per season.

"It is true that losing to tough opposition early could cause a decrease in confidence, but championship teams are driven to higher levels by these bumps in the road because they can see the bigger picture. Beating up on weak opposition early in the season opens the door to overconfidence and can lower the team's work ethic in practice," said Kapner.

Although they lost three-time county champion David Eisenberg to graduation, Westfield had reason for optimism with five returning lettermen from a 19-5 team that won a sectional championship and finished second in the Union County Tournament and reached the Group 4 final.

Six of the 10 losses came to

teams that won sectional titles, including Tournament of Champions finalist East Brunswick. One of the close defeats came to Summit, which also edged the Blue Devils to capture their fourth straight Union County title, a crown Westfield used to consider their sole property.

"Although we only achieved one of our team goals (winning the Watchung Conference), I felt that we played to our potential and that is all I ever ask of my teams," said Kapner.

An uncharacteristically slow 5-6 start prompted Kapner to reopen challenge matches, which resulted in several lineup changes and helped the team finish strong.

Westfield loses their top two players, Rich Moran and Alec Jackson, but everyone else returns including the second doubles team of Adam Gerckens and Andrew Levy, which won the county championship. Third singles Lee Bernstein and first doubles Alec Wasserman and Brian Kender will also be back.

"I expect the returning players to train enough so that they are better players next year and I hope that the incoming freshman class provides us with some quality tennis players who are also quality young men," added Kapner.

One thing the 2005 Westfield tennis team can count on is a rigorous schedule. It is the Kapner way.

YOUTH SPORTS

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Raider Soccer Camp
The 12th annual Raider Soccer Camp will once again be held at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School this summer.

Two sessions of the camp will be held at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. The first will run from July 5-9 and the second from July 26-30. The camp is open to boys and girls in grades K-11. Players are grouped by ability level and range, beginner to advanced, along with a separate goalkeepers program.

The camp features professional, college and high school coaches and players with experience at all levels and ages. The Dutch Soccer Academy is under the direction of Roger Bongaerts and Pascal Clerigo. Bongaerts, a resident of Netherlands, holds a Dutch KNVB "B" license and a USSF coaching license. He serves as an international scout for Arsenal FC of the English Premier League.

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For a brochure or for more information, call one of your local Coordinators, Lois Hely at (908) 233-3960, Skip Murray at (908) 451-0955 or call 1-888-529-3827. To register online go to www.academyinternational.net.

Baseball Like It Ought To Be Camp

Baseball Like It Ought To Be, now in its 11th year, announced the 2004 camp schedule: Session I, June 23-25, 9 a.m.-noon, for boys and girls entering first-third grades; Session II, June 26-27, 9 a.m.-noon, for parent and child to work together; Session III, June 28-July 2, 9 a.m.-noon, for boys and girls entering fourth-ninth grades; and Session IV, July 6-9, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., for boys and girls entering fourth-ninth grades.

The camp features Westfield Varsity Baseball Coach Bob Brewster as director.

The parent/child weekend session (II) will provide an opportunity for the parent to get directly involved in improving the child's skills and love for the game. Parents will come away with new teaching tools, drills and perspectives, and a better understanding of how to channel and encourage a child's interest in baseball.

The special session (I) has for boys and girls entering first-third grades (I) has for boys and girls entering first-third grades. The camp is designed to teach the game through its devotion to the younger player and his or her needs in learning the game and gaining confidence in playing it.

All sessions will be held at the varsity baseball field in Westfield and run by Brewster, now in his 22nd year as varsity coach at Westfield, and one of his former players, Larry Cohen.

For more information about Baseball Like It Ought To Be XI or for a camp application call Brewster at (908) 232-8049 or e-mail him at baseball@comcast.net or call Cohen at (908) 889-0097 or e-mail him at nhcohen@yahoo.com.

Westfield Blue Win Two

Westfield Blue, a 9-year-old traveling baseball team, started its season with wins over Roselle Park and Basking Ridge.

In their 12-2 win over Roselle Park, Blue was led by strong starting pitching from Keegan Hess and solid middle relief from Mark Hartzell. The closer, Christian Burgdorf, nailed the door shut on a tough Roselle Park squad. Sam Meyer led the way offensively with a long triple and four runs scored. Jake Greenberg batted in three for Westfield.

Westfield then won a thriller over Basking Ridge. Trailing by five in the bottom of the last frame, Westfield scored six times to gain the comeback win. Justin Colfero and Liam Devin both worked two out walks with great at bats and Kell Dolan smacked a double into the gap to score Colfero with the winner. Sam Ehades, who scored three for Westfield, gave Blue strong starting pitching. Westfield was aided by solid defensive gems from Jack Colwell and Kevin Smith. Westfield looks to get stronger when Pat McCusker comes back from an early season wrist injury.

Purple People Eaters stop Rush

A bizarre spring season replete with all types of illogical events ended in an adoptive, disjointed manner when the championship game was shortened by ten minutes for no apparent reason. The top seeded Purple People Eaters edged the Cinderella team, the Scotch Plains U11 Girls soccer team. The Gold Rush 1-1. The Purple People Eaters stop Rush 1-0 at Evergreen Field in Scotch Plains Saturday, a result that left the team with mixed emotions. On one hand they could be happy with their accomplishment of reaching the finals with two upset victories in previous weeks. But they also feel frustrated by the shortness of the game since so much of their success was accomplished through goals late in the game.

Although technically outplayed, the Gold Rush had the best chance of the first half when merciful Amanda Rodriguez eluded the defense and beat the goalie with a great shot to the corner that somehow flicked an inch wide.

In the second half the Purple took advantage of their best opportunity and scored midway through the half. Although they kept attacking, the Gold Rush were unable to score for the first time since the opening game.

Eve Rosenheck and Jessica Moore played heroically in the goal. The defense of Sarah Lazarus, Marjorie Diaz, Delaney Reimers, Priya Kamdar, and Sara Payne, Melina Gagias, Chloe Thomas, and Jessica Moore fought valiantly against the strong Purple attack. Brooke Bergfeld, Alison Stancic, Christine Murphy, Stephanie Hobay, Emma Rosen, Amanda Rodriguez, Eve Rosenheck, and Kristina Palazzi worked hard in the midfield and on offense.

When the game ended the teams were handed medals that just said first or second-no year or mention of the town or sport. A typically muddled prize for a confused league.

Automotive/Classified

Summer's best cars unveiled

PRNewswire — The editors and vehicle experts at Kelley Blue Book have named the "best cars" for the summer of 2004.

Best Car for Country Road Drive — Subaru WRX STi

Its power and agile ability to handle a winding country road make the Subaru WRX STi a driver's dream. The under \$35,000 price tag makes it attainable to a wider range of drivers.

Best Car for Going to the Beach, River or Lake — Honda Element

Not too many other vehicles allow the owner to change out of their sandy clothing, then practically hose out the interior to remove sand and dirt. Plus, the wide open doors and flat bed seats make it a uniquely versatile utility workhorse.

The Car to Be Seen In — BMW 645 Ci

In the 645 Ci, BMW brings together sport-engineered performance and exquisite luxury amenities.

Best Car for Cruising The Boulevard with Friends — Scion tC

Even with its standard powerful engine and 17" sporty spoke wheels, the tC is sure to get plenty of attention while cruising down the boulevard this summer.

Best Car for Off Road Fun in the Sun — Jeep Wrangler SE

The Jeep Wrangler SE's small 4-cylinder engine sits back close to the Wrangler's firewall, helping it attain better front-to-rear balance, a benefit that comes in handy when encountering precarious off-road situations.



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Carroll Shelby has teamed up with Hydrogen Car Company to create a Cobra that runs on hydrogen fuel. The Shelby CSX 4000 Series Hydrogen Cobras, which begin at \$149,000, feature either a Shelby 427 FE 7.8 liter H2ICE V8 or a Ford 351 5.8 liter H2ICE V8.

Hydrogen-powered Cobra arrives

PRNewswire — The Hydrogen Car Company has announced the launch of the Hydrogen Shelby Cobra.

Conceived and built by Carroll Shelby, the Shelby Cobra has captivated the imaginations of automobile enthusiasts all over the world since 1962. Operating on a hydrogen internal combustion engine, the Hydrogen Shelby Cobra is the result of a partnership between HCC and Carroll Shelby Licensing, Inc.

The first of HCC's vehicles

available to the public, the Hydrogen Shelby Cobra runs off clean burning, domestically generated hydrogen fuel.

"We have an historic opportunity to fundamentally change the fuel we use to power our cars," said S. David Freeman, chairman of HCC. "There is a dominant misconception that something is wrong with American cars. It is not the cars that are the problem, but rather the fuel. We do not have to wait decades until hydrogen fuel cell vehicles become viable."

HCC's vehicles are based on existing internal combustion engines. The hydrogen internal combustion engine uses traditional engine designs to deliver the environmental and fuel security benefits of a hydrogen fuel cell, but at a fraction of the complexity and cost. HCC's vehicles have no carbon and super low nitrous oxide emissions.

The Hydrogen Shelby Cobra is assembled at Carroll Shelby's engine facility in Gardena, Ca. These Shelby

CSX 4000 Series Hydrogen Cobras come with the option of a Shelby 427 FE 7.8 liter H2ICE V8 or a Ford 351 5.8 liter H2ICE V8 and either a composite or aluminum body and begin at \$149,000.

HCC's strategic partner is Stuart Energy Systems Corporation, the world's leading developer and supplier of integrated hydrogen infrastructure solutions, including hydrogen fueling stations, which generate hydrogen fuel from water electrolysis.

"We believe the commercialization of H2ICE vehicles will accelerate the demand for our innovative hydrogen infrastructure products," said Jon Sangerup, president and CEO of Stuart Energy.

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In-Column

For all ads publishing the week of July 5th
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For all ads publishing the week of July 5th
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\$29,900
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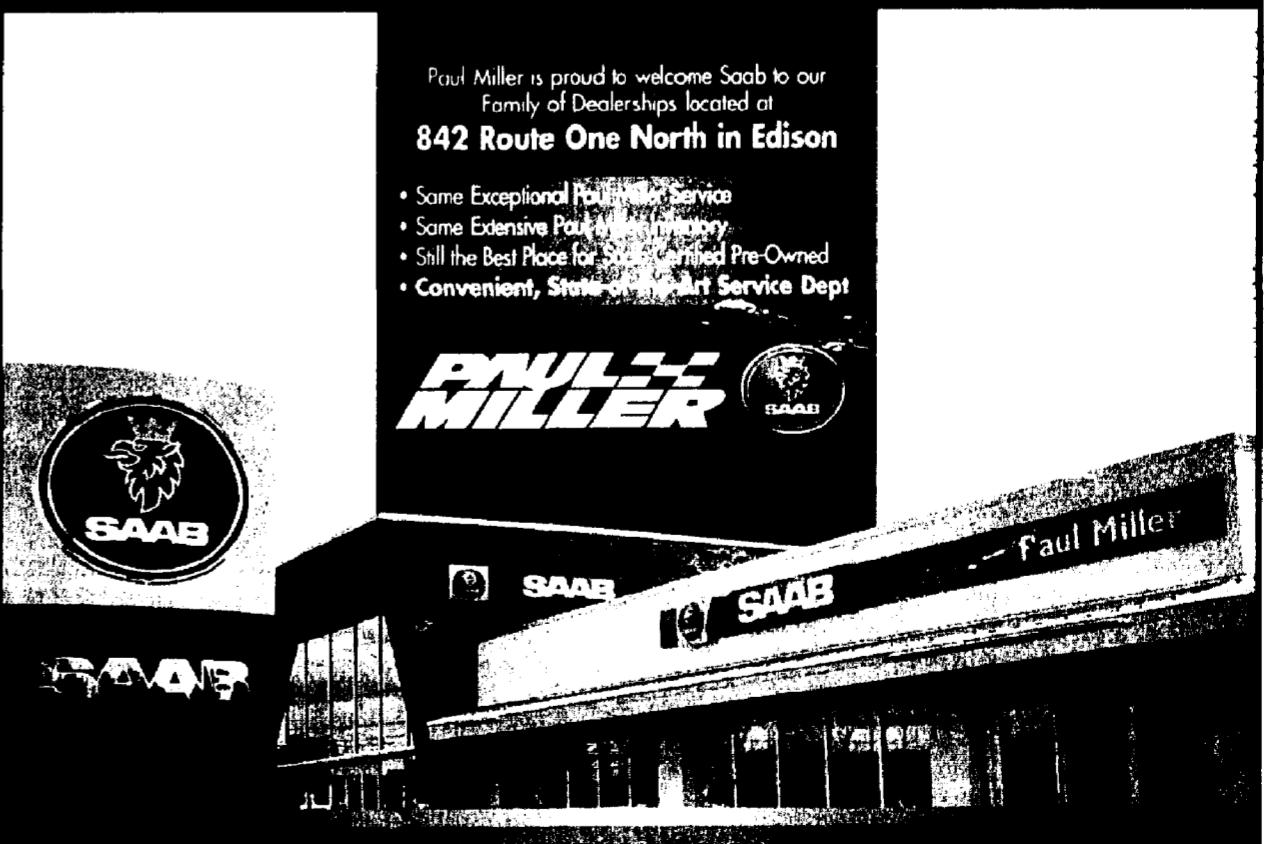
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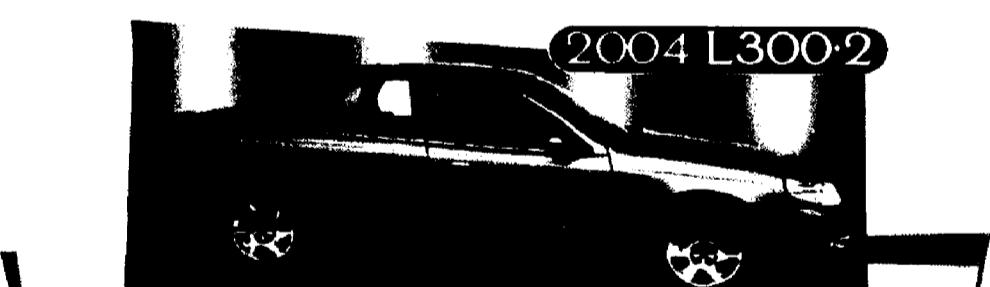


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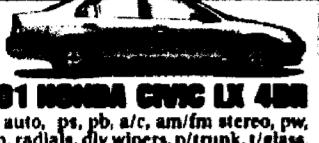
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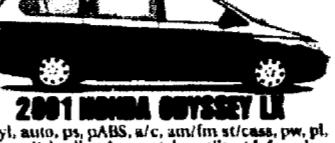
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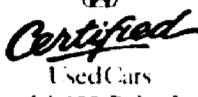
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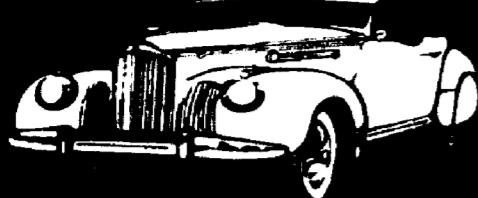
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