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Garage Turned Down

Facility for Four Vehicles
Would Have Used Up
Maximum Lot Coverage

By PAUL J. PEYTON
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

After a lengthy discussion Monday, the Board of Adjustment denied Dr. and Mrs. Allan Tiedrich's application to construct a two-car garage on their property at 5 Kirkview Circle which would have given the home garaging of four vehicles, one over the allowable number in the town's ordinance.

Dr. Tiedrich told the board he needed the garage, because two of his and his wife's four cars were vandalized earlier this year. The cars were parked on the side of the house and were visible from the street. An attached two-car garage is not in view from the street, he said.

Prior to discussing the application, the board decided the application for the additional garage falls under the category of a use variance which would require five affirmative votes from the nine-member board.

Board Chairman, Mrs. Mary D. Herberich, said she objected to the application because it uses up the maximum building coverage of 20 per cent allowed on the lot. She noted that a swimming pool and the proposed garaging of four cars and the side-yard coverage would only be five feet — the ordinance required 10 feet — with the addition of a side garage.

"Long after you are out of this house, we will be stuck with the house forever," Mrs. Herberich said.

Under questioning from his attorney, Michael Ventura, Dr. Tiedrich said his cars are high-priced European

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Town Girl Performs In Nutcracker

This time of year little girls everywhere go to bed with thoughts of Sugarplum fairies dancing in their heads. A 10-year old from Westfield does more than dream about them. She dances with them!

Aimee Lombard, who just turned 10 this month, is currently performing as a toy soldier in the New York City Ballet's production of *The Nutcracker*.

Aimee auditioned with more than 250 children aged 8 to 14, and was one of 100 talented young people chosen.

Although the 100 young dancers are split between two casts performing in *The Nutcracker*, Aimee's schedule still is a demanding one, with 24 performances in a seven-

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Aimee Lombard



A CARTOON CHRISTMAS... "Toon" characters celebrate Christmas as they romp on the lawn of the Michael Drive home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Materek. Mr. Materek created the figures himself out of wood.

Freeholders Approve 4 Per Cent Increase In Salaries of Heads of County Departments

Mrs. DiGiovanni Takes Oath as Successor to Assemblyman Augustine; Reorganizational Meeting January 1

By PAUL J. PEYTON
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders approved an ordinance Thursday that authorizes a 4 per cent salary increase to the county's eight officials and department heads.

The ordinance sets the salary of County Manager, Mrs. Ann Baran, at \$108,872; that of County Counsel Jeremiah D. O'Dwyer at \$101,991, and that of Donald J. Ludwig, the Clerk of the Freeholder Board, at \$49,364.

All three are appointed positions and fall under the direct control of the Freeholders.

Individual department heads' salaries increased as follows:

- Director of Finance Lawrence M. Caroselli, from \$69,510 to \$72,290
- Director of Administrative Services Joseph L. Salenme of Westfield, from \$64,000 to \$66,650
- Director of Human Services Frank L. Guzzo from \$63,164 to \$65,690
- Director of Operational Services Annand A. Fiorletti from \$83,580 to \$86,923
- Director of Runnels Specialized Hospital Joseph W. Sharp from \$74,865 to \$77,859

These positions are appointed and fall under the direct control of Mrs. Baran.

The package was introduced at the December 10 meeting, the same night the board approved a compensation package for the county's 700 exclusionary employees. These workers also were given a 4 per cent increase retroactive to November 1.

Under this package, the Department of Finance, Human Services, Operational Services, Administrative Services and Hospital Administrator fall into Grade No. 22. The salary range in this grade is \$66,960 to \$83,700.

The wage package for exclusionary employees was reviewed by Human Resources Corp., a Connecticut consulting firm, this month.

In other business, Mrs. Linda DiGiovanni of Union was sworn into office during the agenda-setting meeting which preceded the regular meeting.

Mrs. DiGiovanni replaces Alan M. Augustine of Scotch Plains who was elected December 12 to the New Jersey General Assembly 22nd District seat previously occupied by Robert D. Franks.

Mr. Franks was elected as Representative last month to the seat in the newly-aligned Seventh District. The district includes Westfield. The seat was vacated by Matthew J. Rinaldo, who has retired.

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Son of Founder of Town Realty Firm Combines Knowledge of Emergency Services With Law

After Assuming First Coordinator's Post in Milford, Connecticut, He Decided to Take Up Legal Studies

By ROBERT R. FASZCZEWSKI
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Practicing law and providing emergency medical services have been combined into an interesting and challenging career for Albert G. "Chip" Danker, Jr. of Branford, Connecticut, the son of Albert G. Danker, Sr. of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, a former partner in Danker/Davidson Realtors of Westfield.

The younger Mr. Danker, who recently became a member of the Connecticut Bar, was the city of Milford, Connecticut's first Emergency Medical Services Coordinator from 1988 until very recently.

Employed at Milford Hospital in Milford as a physician's assistant, he obtained his certificate in that field from Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, and his Law Degree was earned at the University of Connecticut.

The emergency medical post included coordinating education for emergency crews and monitoring the quality of care they deliver.

In that position, he assumed duties which unofficially had been performed for many years by Dr. Allan Brandt, who had been the Chairman of Emergency Services at the hospital.

The post was mandated by the Connecticut Office of Emergency Services, which required all mobile intensive care units in the state to fall under hospital sponsorship.

Mr. Danker worked in the emergency room at Yale-New Haven Hospital four years before joining the Milford staff in 1985.

In the Coordinator position, he established a series of monthly lectures to fulfill continuing education requirements for paramedics which, up until that time, had to leave the

city for the 50 hours of training required of them every year.

Dr. Brandt was one of the originators of Milford's Emergency Medical Services Council, which was formed in the mid-1970s to promote cooperation and coordination among all those involved in the city's emergency response system.

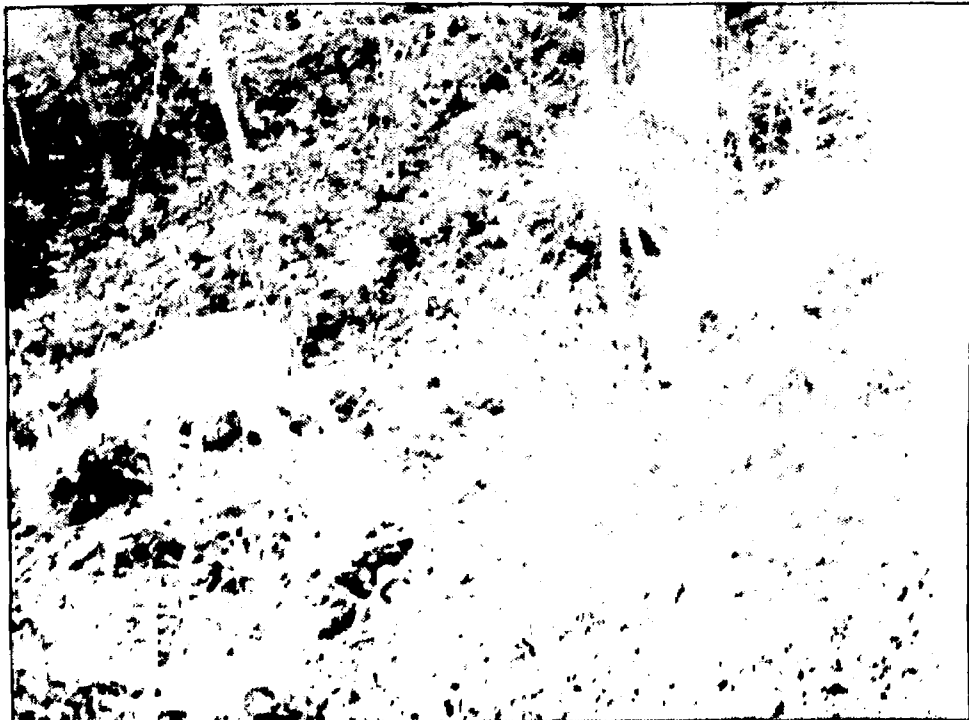
Having completed its work, the committee disbanded, leaving continuing administration of the system to an informal panel consisting of the Chiefs of the city's Fire and Police Departments and other services.

Until Mr. Danker's appointment, to head a system which includes both municipal and private paramedics,

the organization never had a single person to constantly monitor its performance.

A graduate of Westfield High School, where he participated in football, basketball, baseball and musical groups, Mr. Danker also graduated from Wesleyan University

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RARE SEASONAL SIGHT... An albino deer, on the right, was seen by John Burns of 1050 Wyandotte Trail, Westfield, behind his home earlier this month. Mr. Burns, who was born in Wisconsin, which has many deer, never has seen a rare white one. Both does pictured weigh about 175 pounds, he estimated.

Closings Told For Holidays

Town Hall, the Westfield Memorial Library, the Westfield Post Office and most town retail businesses and financial institutions, including the offices of *The Westfield Leader* will be closed both tomorrow, Christmas, and next Friday, New Year's Day.

Today, Christmas Eve, the library will be closed, but Town Hall, the Post Office and the office of *The Leader* will be open, while most financial institutions and retail stores will close earlier than usual.

On New Year's Eve, next Thursday, the library will be open until 5 p.m., Town Hall, the Post Office and *The Leader* office will be open as usual and most financial institutions and retail stores will close earlier than usual.

A Very Merry Christmas to All!

Mrs. Dupuis Nominated To the Superior Court

The former Chairman of the Westfield Democratic Committee, Mrs. Katherine R. Dupuis, is among 16 women whom Governor James J. Florio Monday announced he would



Mrs. Katherine R. Dupuis

nominate to serve as Judges.

Mrs. Dupuis, who will serve in the Superior Court if her nomination is confirmed by the State Senate, also was under consideration in 1990 for Union County Prosecutor before Andrew K. Ruotolo, Jr. of Westfield was selected to succeed the late John H. Stamler in that post.

A 10-year resident of the town, she is a partner in the South Avenue East law firm of Woodruff and Dupuis, which she helped to form about six years ago.

She has specialized in civil and criminal litigation, matrimonial law, estates and real estate matters.

Mrs. Dupuis had served as an Assistant Union County Prosecutor from 1980 to 1982, and from 1978 to 1980 she had been a law clerk to federal District Court Judge Vincent P. Biunno.

The Parliamentarian for the Union County Democratic Committee for

several years, she received her Law Degree from Seton Hall University School of Law in Newark. She holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Chestnut Hill College in Philadelphia and is a graduate of Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains.

Mrs. Dupuis is married to Kenneth Dupuis, a textile executive. She has a daughter, Collette Dupuis, a senior at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and two sons, Matthew Dupuis, a graduate of Westfield High School, and Andrew, a junior at the high school.

Emergency Aide Takes Up Law

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in Middletown, Connecticut, where he was on the baseball team.

Mr. Danker's father, who joined the Westfield Board of Realtors in 1948 and still is a member, maintains his license with Danker/Davidson even though he moved South and sold his business.

The business still is run by Mrs. Sandra Davidson.

The elder Mr. Danker's mother and father moved to Westfield in the early 1900s.

His father owned Danker's Dairy for many years and then Danker's Radley Lodge on Radley Road, which later became Lamberts Mill Road, a short time before his brother August Danker took over ownership.

The elder Mr. Danker was born at 314 Scotch Plains Avenue, Westfield, in 1920.

His realtor firm, originally Danker & Danker, Inc., was founded in 1952 by Mr. Danker and his brother, Harry Danker.

Chip Danker is married to Mrs. Debbie Danker, a registered nurse, and they have two sons, Benjamin and Lucas Danker.



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Westfield Inn Names Miss Cicciocelli

Miss Gina Cicciocelli has been appointed the General Manager of The Westfield Inn, one of five Boyle Hotels located throughout Central New Jersey.

The announcement was made by the Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing for the hotel group.

Miss Cicciocelli will be responsible for the full operation of the 40-room European-style hotel," the Vice President said.

Miss Cicciocelli most recently was the Regional Director of Sales for the Boyle Hotel group. She has worked in sales for the company since 1989.

The Westfield Inn, a Best Western facility, is located at 435 North Avenue West, Westfield and is managed by Boyle Hotels Management Group of Union.

Let a fool hold his tongue and he will pass for a sage.

The Lecture to Mensa ON JFK ETC Now Offered Publicly
WATCH FOR THE "AD" WITH ORDER FORM, WHICH IS TO BE IN THE DEC. 31 ISSUE OF THE WESTFIELD LEADER.

Eye Openers WHY TINTED LENSES?

There are two reasons, equally valid, to wear tints in eyeglasses and contact lenses. Though the value is cosmetic for many people, the light coloration may offer an extra degree of visual comfort.

Looking at the world through rose-colored glasses may actually enhance the complexion of the wearer. Pale tints from beige and gray to blue or green may be attractive and may even soften the appearance of a high prescription. The colored lenses may also cut out the harshness of fluorescent lighting and add comfort if you're working at a video display terminal. The tint may color the entire lens or may be graded so that the darkest shade is on top and the lightest at the bottom of the lens. But remember: the pale tints do not act as sunglasses and offer little or no protection against ultraviolet rays.

Tinted contact lenses, on the other hand, can give a whole new look, enhancing — and even changing — the color of your eyes. The added color does not jeopardize the correction offered by the lenses.

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High School Honors Earned by 474 Students

Results of the first marking period show the following 474 students at Westfield High School have achieved listing on the distinguished honor roll or honor roll.

To be included in the distinguished honor group, a student must obtain a grade of "A" in all of his or her major academic subjects and no grade below "B" in any minor subject.

To be enrolled in the honor group, a student must obtain grades of "A" or "B" in all subjects, major or minor.

In the ninth grade, 30 students or 9.71 percent of the 309-member class were named to the distinguished honor roll.

Honor roll status was achieved by 114 ninth graders or 36.89 percent of the class.

Among 10th graders distinguished honor roll status was achieved by 16 students or 4.85 percent of the 330-member class.

Named to the honor roll were 89 students or 26.97 percent of the class.

Selected for the distinguished honor roll among 11th graders were 17 students or 5.72 percent of the 297-member class.

Named to the honor roll were 102 students or 34.34 percent of the class.

Among 12th graders 13 students or 4.23 percent of the 307-member class were named to the distinguished honor roll.

Earning selection for the honor roll were 93 students or 30.29 percent of the class.

NINTH GRADE DISTINGUISHED HONOR ROLL

Sara J. Becker
Neelam K. Bhandari
Kelli C. Bodale
Alexia C. Burnett
Jennifer A. Faulkner
Robert G. Fliegel
Sharon Gambino
Shari P. Gersch
Kristin E. Gruman
Douglas Henry
Lawrence Ho
Arthur Hu
Yih Huang
Scott King
Deborah E. Lintz

Jennifer C. Livaudais
Gretchen E. Mansfield
Jordan D. McClelland
Rachel M. McKenzie
Renato Pezzia
Sandeep Satwalekar
Jennifer Schader
Kathy Shalloe
Lisa Marie Tobelmann
Kristen Toriello
June Turner
Elizabeth A. Vaniparen
Benjamin Wei
Adam Scott
Jana Zelkovic

NINTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

James E. Abele
Bradford T. Almale
Matthew Ambrosia
Adam D. Andreoli
Irina R. Avram
Raymond J. Barbieri
Lori Barer
Jason Baum
Marcy E. Beller
Nicholas Benner
Melissa Betkowski
Adam J. Borchin
Tomas R. Bowles
Stephanie S. Brandel
Deborah Buchsbaum
Stephanie L. Buldo
Allison J. Cambria
Lauren Candia
David R. Capriello
Mark Carefice
Jovan J. Clowers
Matthew R. Cognetti
Christopher Colvin
Delirde D. Cooney
Adam Cowburn
Zachary C. Cuca
Jessica A. Czar
Lara Delkmezian
Kristina Leigh DelGrosso
Jason J. Diorio
Anisa Dujic
Michael Dvorak
Alexander Escobar
Laura J. Faulkner
Lisa Feinberg
Kerry Fleming
Leonard J. Fliegel
Philippe Gabriel
Ramon A. Gadia
Daniel M. Garry
Sean P. Gately
Elizabeth A. Glameo
Jodi B. Goldberg
Kellie Goncalves
Stephen P. Griffith
Kevin A. Hildebrandt
Kevin E. Hoel
Wegan E. Hogarth
Sean M. Horan
Marisa A. Hrinewski
Brad T. Jankowski
Jonathan W. Jones
Jennifer M. Kasekian
Sarah Katz
Kimberly A. Kelly
Juri Klitzawa

Stephanie L. Kornicke
Emily Faye Laderman
Matthew B. Leahy
Christian Long
Cristin Luck
Anne M. Lutkenhouse
Michelle N. Lyons
Takashi Makino
Sara Markoeki
Elizabeth Manning
Alexandra Martins
Shane Masachi
Jennifer McCullum
Karen McGuire
Kathleen McKeever
Terry Millanette
Angela Miller
Rebecca B. Minarik
Justine Moncrief
Jenna G. Mulford
Shane O'Boyle
David Osborn
Jennifer Osborne
Patricia A. Padua
Valerie Planko
Elizabeth M. Raetz
Harley Reinhardt
Brian Riley
Michael Rodihan
Megaly Roig
Kelly M. Romine
Laura Rosenblatt
Sima Sabag
Douglas Sanford
Stephanie L. Sasso
Meghan G. Schwartzek
Suzanne A. Segal
Ankoor Shah
Christine Sherman
Jeffrey N. Siegel
Blake Sonnek-Schmelz
Shannon V. Stone
Harmon V. Swart
Christine C. Swenson
Holly M. Talbot
Erica Tricarico
Kevin J. Trzeniewski
Amy L. Valentin
Laura A. VandenWij
Laura A. Vlodich
Suzanne Vierno
Heather P. Vlach
Glenn M. Volini
Katherine M. Wexley
Brian E. Williams
Nicole D. Wygowsky
Courtney C. Yevich

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Eric Albee
Jason Albertson
Sydney R. Barrow
Joseph G. Calanzaro
Suzanne B. Chlinski
Jack Cieslak
Sarah Gordon
Meredith Hobson

Elizabeth Kanter
Stephen A. Lehman
Michael J. Liggara
Kelly Norton
Joseph Parker
Kiran Rao
Robert Schundler
Lindsay Zachar

TENTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Karen I. Aliche
David Alvero
Karen M. Anchorski
Adam M. Barcan
Courtney Bender
Meghan Bender
Ronan Barcovicz
Jodi Bertelson
Paul K. Bhasin
Brad Boetdorff
Heather Brown
Christopher Brucia
Christine L. Buralen
Collette Cameron
Christine M. Carroll
Katie M. Carroll
Laura Cashman
Allan Chang
Ivy Charnatz
Lisa A. Citrin
Scott M. Clark
Marcia A. Cognetti
Susan Connell
Orli Coty
Kimberly A. Cross
Emily Lyn Dexter
Frank DiGiovanni
Heather L. Dubitsky
Jeffrey D. Feder
Daniel A. Feldman
Michael L. Fisher
Rebecca A. Gali
Udi Ghitza
Daniel Olsson
Pamela S. Gold
Jill H. Goldberger
Dora Golub
Alison Gorski
Suzanne B. Greenstein
Mark Gregory
Alexander N. Grellein
Gabriella Guzzetti
Brian Hamilton
David Hailfield

Michelle Hewson
Edward M. Joffe
Walter Kapuscinski
Sonia Ko
Brandi K. Kovac
Elizabeth Kozub
Margaret Kritsch
Brian Lacarrubba
Laura Lombardi
Christine S. Lynea
Yumi Matsura
Joanna McGonigle
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Jessica M. McNellis
John G. O'Brien
Christopher O'Connell
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Megan O'Brien
Jane Oallio
Matthew Otoson
Julie K. Parker
Joseph R. Patucci
Caroline Petre
Amber M. Pusich
Wendy Reynolds
Alexis Rich
Sarah Roberts
Todd C. Rowe
Susan N. Russell-Smith
John Daniel Ruvalo
Douglas Salom
Ben Sezer
Christine Skubish
Lisa Steiman
Monica J. Stith
Daniel Talnow
Christine M. Todoru
Laura Todd
Alexandra L. Tourtelotte
Natalie Urciuoli
Adam M. Weinlein
Michael Weissitz
Brooke Wiley
Jeffrey Williams
Ivy Zambolla

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Kelly Fooney
Glenn M. Gutterman
Anthony Jones
Stephanie Karpis
Tazuko Kawaguchi
Amanda Kong
Elizabeth Lau

Rachel L. Martin
Christie McGovern
Chad Edward Musarini
Marta Napierkowski
Stephanie L. Saitow
Jessica St. Clair
Carina Tammam
Mary Wampler
Timothy Wooster

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Elizabeth Albino
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Donise Barone
Joanna Bennett
Jeffrey R. Bernstein
Vivian Buenavides
Kerry Capone
Huey-Lan Chern
Janina Chernetz
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James DeSantis
Michael Dickley
Michael Doyle
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Andrew Dupuis
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Russell Schundler

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Sherry R. Krevsky
Benjamin Parker
Susan Rodhan

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Rafael Azon
Tobie Baldwin
W. Brooke Bartholomey
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Simon Baukh
Nicholas Bhaen
Kirsten T. Boser
Mark K. Borton
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Marnie Cambria
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Ilan Friedman
Jonathan Friedman
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Amy L. Gallagher
Corrado Germinario
Elizabeth A. Getz
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David F. Harwood
Jason Henry
Darren Herliel
Evelyn J. Hoel
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Parentcraft To Be Held At Overlook

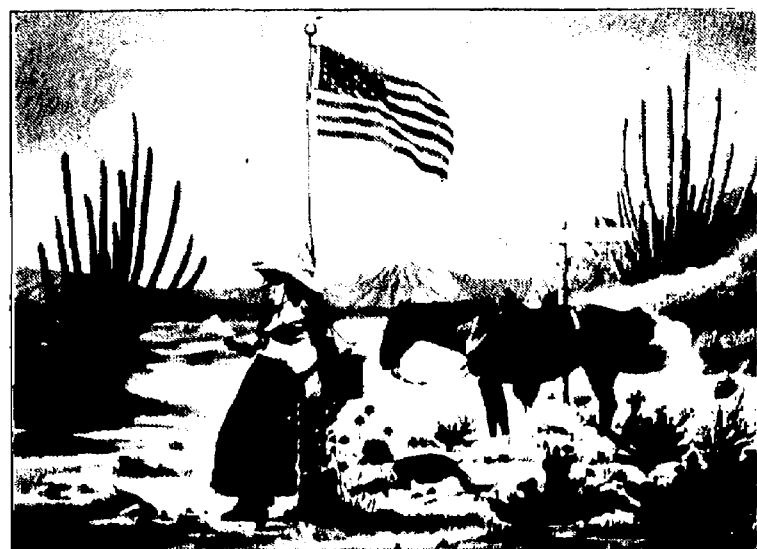
Next month, Overlook Hospital in Summit will offer Parentcraft, a creative preparation for childbirth and early parenthood.

Parentcraft includes a free maternity orientation program. Expectant parents will meet in the hospital's auditorium where a registered nurse from the maternity unit will present a slide show of the maternity area and a film of labor and delivery. The nurse will answer questions on family-centered maternity care, plus other services offered.

Parentcraft classes also include: Infant care, Cesarean birth and breastfeeding. Parents with other children can select a sibling preparation class appropriate to their child's age, all of which includes a maternity unit tour. Childbirth preparation and Lamaze Review also include a maternity unit tour.

Infant Care, a newly updated, two-night class, helps before and after the baby arrives. The class meets to discuss adjustments to parenthood, to demonstrate proper infant care, feedings, diapering and to talk about other practical matters of infant care. After the baby's birth, the Mothers' Exchange program gives mothers and babies an opportunity to get together and learn infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation, nutrition, growth and development and share ideas on many other topics.

For information on starting dates, fees and registration, please call the hospital's Department of Health Education at 522-2901.



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Representative-Elect On Three Committees

Representative-Elect Robert D. Franks of the Seventh District will be serving on the House of Representatives Budget, Public Works and Transportation Committees when the



Representative-Elect Robert D. Franks 103rd Congress convenes on Tuesday, January 5.

The Republican Committee on Committees December 10 named Representative-Elect Franks to these two major committee assignments.

The Representative-Elect said, "Both the Budget and Public Works Committees address issues of vital concern to the people of New Jersey, and I look forward to representing the interests of my constituents on these two influential committees."

He added, "I welcome the opportunity to work to impose fiscal discipline on the federal government and to halt runaway spending as a member of the Budget Committee. I led the fight in the New Jersey Legislature to reduce spending, cut taxes and require routine audits of the performance of state agencies. Now I intend to do the same thing on the federal level as a member of the Budget Committee."

"The Public Works Committee is expected to consider a number of major pieces of legislation of interest to the people of New Jersey including reauthorization of the Superfund for the cleanup of hazardous waste sites and the financing of major infrastructure improvements," the legislator said. "As a member of that committee, I will work to ensure the Seventh Congressional District receives its fair share of these funds."

The lawmaker added, "I also intend to bring a new approach to this committee assignment. At a time when government spending is out of control and our nation is \$4 trillion in debt, we can't afford to freely spend

money on make-work projects. I want to ensure the money we invest in public-works projects produces long-term benefits including opening up new, permanent job opportunities for American workers."

Andrew Perry, Wilson Principal, Earns Doctorate

Andrew Perry, Principal of Wilson School since January 1, has been awarded a Doctorate in Education from Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York.

Dr. Perry's doctoral dissertation was a qualitative study investigating the differences between men and women principals when they supervise teachers.

After observing 20 supervisory conferences between female and male principals and female and male teachers, several differences were noted related to gender.

For instance, "Four of the women principals, but only one male principal, were able to focus on interpersonal relations with teachers and at the same time enhance the instructional climate," Dr. Perry noted in the abstract to his dissertation.

Also, women principals were described by their teachers as making their suggestions in a helpful and comfortable manner. "They often used questions to elicit information, approached situations as a 'learner' and featured the pronoun 'we' rather than 'I,'" he stated.

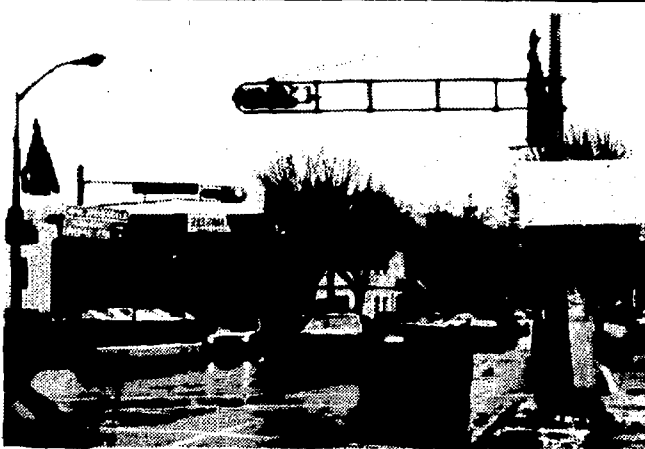
According to the abstract, "Women principals established a collegial tone during the conferences with their teachers rather than a hierarchical tone."

Dr. Perry noted, "Some evidence in this study that male teachers were valued more than female teachers. Male teachers received more time for post observation conferences from their principals than did female teachers."

Mr. Perry, who succeeded Mrs. Margaret B. Scheck as Wilson School Principal, came to Westfield from Long Island with experience as an elementary school Principal in Merrick and as an Assistant Principal in Seaford. He began his career in education in 1976 as a special education teacher.

A graduate of the State University of New York, Dr. Perry holds both Bachelor and Master Degree in Education.

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WHICH WAY WAS THAT?... While on a recent shopping tour, Mrs. Carmel Patrone of Westfield, Publicity Chairman for the Westfield Art Association, took this photograph of two signs at the intersection of North and Central Avenue in downtown Westfield. As the viewer can see, there is some confusion on where Springfield, Rahway and Short Points are located.

County Arts Center to Show Buster Keaton Film The General

The 1926 Buster Keaton silent feature, *The General* will be presented on Sunday, January 31, at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway at a 3 o'clock matinee with live musical accompaniment on the theater's "mighty Wurlitzer" cinema pipe organ. The guest artist will be Donald Kinnier, one of the more popular of the limited fraternity of musicians identified with this highly-specialized genre.

Mr. Kinnier is a Philadelphia native

who has toured widely as a solo artist and also as half a "team" with his wife, entertainer Judy Townsend. He has recorded on the arts center organ.

Tickets for the January 31 matinee are \$6 for all seats and may be purchased at the arts center box office at 1601 Irving Street or ordered by telephone at 499-8226.

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Judy Matthew Wins Drug Poster Contest

The Union County Narcotic Advisory Board recently held its 13th annual drug poster contest awards ceremony for the county's fifth-grade students in Judge Edward Beglin's courtroom at the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

There were approximately 1,000 posters entered, with awards given to

22 students in seven different categories, and 75 students won honorable mention certificates.

Harlan Martin of Westfield is a member of the board and Judy Matthew, a student at Holy Trinity Interparochial School of Westfield, won first place in the Most Meaningful category.



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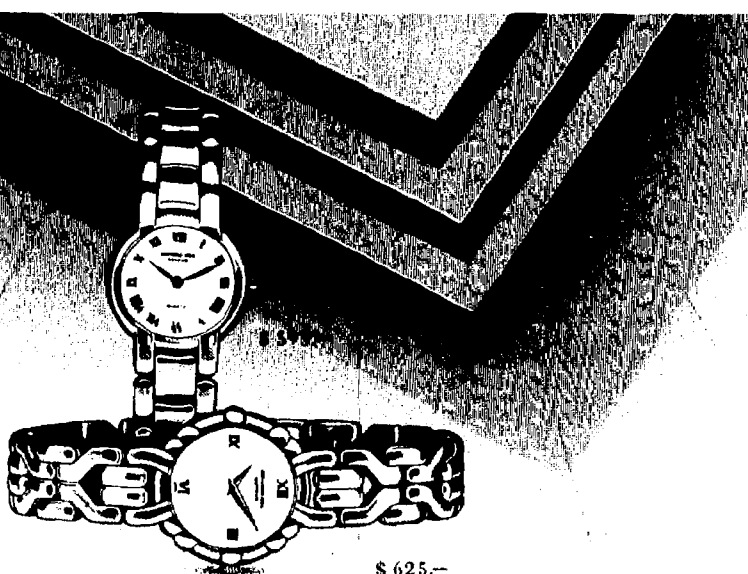
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Self-Insuring Through Suburban Pool Can Save Town in Short and Long Run

The Town Council recently has decided to award \$720,000 in insurance premiums, and, in its deliberations, once again pretty much has rejected the concept of self-insurance.

We believe self-insurance, combined with the pooling of coverage among several suburban communities of economic standing similar to Westfield — an idea under study — both should be given serious consideration by the council.

Insurance premiums continue to rise at large, sometimes astronomical, rates — pushed upward, no doubt, by the continuing tendency in our society for workers and others affected by the actions of government and private industry to settle even the most mundane matters not by negotiation but by litigation.

While we can understand the reluctance of our Town Fathers to enter this type of arena without the proper protection, we believe training classes being instituted in town departments along with the town's excellent experience record in workers' compensation and other liability areas will not leave it open to such grievous fiscal consequences should it decide to assume the risk via its own

treasury or in combination with those of other communities.

One often-cited reason for not self-insuring is the multi-million-dollar accident settlement which looks like it will leave Kenilworth homeowners "holding the bag" for several years to come.

This case, however, as has been copiously pointed out by several experts, is almost unique in New Jersey and one of only a few such large settlements in the United States.

By pooling the resources and pledging the full faith of communities which have the fine financial management and fiscal backing of governmental organizations such as Westfield, we are certain most calamities can be avoided.

For those rare instances when covering damages out of their own treasuries will not suffice, an umbrella policy can be purchased to deal with settlements above a certain level.

Self-insurance through a pool arrangement will save the taxpayers of Westfield expensive yearly premiums and the fiscal integrity of similar communities should insure against dangerous consequences in the long run.

Letters to the Editor

Representative Rinaldo Thanks Those Who Aided His Work in Congress

As my career in Congress comes to an end, I especially want to thank the people of New Jersey's Seventh Congressional District.

It has been an honor to serve you for over 20 years, and I am extremely grateful for the support and encouragement I have received.

As I enter the private sector, I also want to pay tribute to the many good people on both sides of the aisle with whom I have worked in my two decades as a member of Congress.

I have been impressed by the commitment and the dedication to public service that I have seen on their part. There are many good men and women on Capitol Hill who do not receive the credit they deserve. And I hope, for their sake and for our country's, that this will change.

If someone were to ask me what has been the most satisfying part of my job as Representative, I would answer I have most enjoyed being able to help people and to make a difference in peoples' lives.

Whether it is a senior citizen needing help with Social Security or Medicare, a young man or woman in high school who hopes for an appointment to the military academy or someone needing assistance with a federal agency, the job has presented

many challenges, and it is one that demands the best of anyone who holds it.

Over 20 years, I believe I have compiled a record to be proud of. There were some disappointments, but in my view, there were many more successes. I believe I always have demonstrated a readiness to go about the people's business with as much energy and talent as I could muster.

As for the future, I look forward to it. After 20 years, I want to do something different, and I am seeking new challenges. I intend to remain politically active but in a different role from the one to which I have been accustomed.

I know I am going to miss the friends I have made during my years in Congress, but I am sure our paths will cross many times in the future.

If I had to sum it up, I would say I have done my best to uphold the trust that was placed in me and to work as hard as I could for all my constituents and to always vote in their best interests. Their continued support and encouragement has been my greatest reward.

Matthew J. Rinaldo
Union

Town Symphony Receives Letter Praising Caliber of Its Work

Most of us who are intimately involved with the art of music know of its extraordinary power to transform lives. It is uncommon for one to come across as eloquent a testimony to this power as a letter received by the Westfield Symphony Orchestra a few weeks ago. In the hope this letter will be of some benefit to those in need of comforting or inspiration, the following paragraphs are enclosed, anonymously, but with the approval of the writer.

"I would like to express what the Westfield Symphony Orchestra

means to me. In late 1989 my father passed away after a long illness. In April of 1990, I chanced to see a poster in town advertising the upcoming symphony concert and, on an impulse, I purchased two tickets for mother and me.

"This turned out to be a life-changing experience! The concert, as we learned at the 7 p.m. talk was Mahler's *Resurrection*, a symphony. I secretly worried if this was a good idea after all, or would it be too emotional for mother. Well, it certainly was an emotional evening for us! The power of the music was breathtaking and the choral part at the end was simply overwhelming. We never had heard anything as magnificent in our lives!

"Mother purchased a cassette of the music and listens to it almost daily. The second concert to affect her so deeply has been Beethoven's *Ninth*, also a Chinese piece presented by the composer N. B. *H'uan-in-Memorial* by Bright Sheng. We have been subscribers ever since and eagerly await each concert. We are committed to the symphony and would attend anywhere they perform."

We thought you readers would be moved by this story, but more important, we hope people everywhere will find for themselves opportunities through which the power of the arts can speak to their lives.

A joyous holiday season to all!
Kenneth W. Hopper
Executive Director
Westfield Symphony Orchestra

Community Players Offer Subscriptions

A spokesman for the Westfield Community Players announced the group's holiday subscription offer for the remaining productions of the Stephen Sondheim, Hugh Wheeler musical, *A Little Night Music* and Alfred Uhry's *Driving Miss Daisy*.

Membership Director, Mrs. Letty Hudak, noted a \$15 subscription, gets theatergoers a single ticket for each show, at a savings of \$7 off individual ticket prices.

The curtain time for all shows is 8 p.m. with *A Little Night Music* on February 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27 and *Driving Miss Daisy* on April 24 and 30 and May 1, 7, 8, 14 and 15. Checks may be made payable to Westfield Community Players, \$15 per subscription, and sent to Mrs. Hudak, 409 Harrison Avenue, Westfield, 07090.

Mrs. Myers Chairs Oak Knoll Symposium

New Jersey Senator William "Bill" Bradley was the keynote speaker at the Parent Associations of New Jersey Independent Schools 1992 symposium, "Preparing Our Children for the 21st Century: Intellectually, Socially and Ethically."

The day-long event, held in Summit at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child, brought together representatives from New Jersey's independent schools.

The group attended seminars led by experts who shared their insights on areas affecting children including issues of diversity, instilling moral values, teaching social justice and escalating costs of higher education.

The committee for the symposium included Oak Knoll parents and Co-Chairman, Mrs. Joan Myers of Westfield.

Mathematics Night Set by Kent Place

Kent Place, New Jersey's largest nonsectarian college preparatory school for girls in the nursery through grade 12, will hold an evening devoted to the University of Chicago Math Project in the Commons Room of Mable House on Wednesday, January 6, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The University of Chicago Math Project is an innovative curricula that has been adopted by Kent Place School. A team of mathematicians developed these new approaches to teaching mathematics in response to a declining interest among children in the fields of mathematics and science.

For more information or to make a reservation, please call the Admissions Office at 273-0900.

Donated Mittens Shown by Girl Scouts

Washington School Girl Scouts recently displayed some of the many mittens gathered for needy children via the community-wide Festival of the Mittens Trees. Among those Girl Scouts were Melissa Quintanilla, Lauren Solon, Colleen Mullaney, Nicole Seib, Kate Walsh, Morgan Pearlman, Natalie Orsini, Katherine Solon, Lindsey Mroz, Shari Thomashow and Brooke Austin.

THE 6TH DECADE

Social Security Fund Should Be Kept Intact

By Herb Ross



To some people, the Social Security Act of 1935 marked the founding of a welfare state.

Yet to most, it marked the implementation of the Constitution's concept, "To promote the general welfare."

Since that momentous legislation through almost six decades of hard times, war, recession and inflation, there has been mounting support for the Social Security Act.

Only in the past decade, has there been an erosion of that support. Social Security has been called a "Program in Search of a Validity." It smacks of socialism. But it is a Sacred Cow.

Yet, it is probably the most maligned program that ever was offered. The Baby Boomers complain they are paying into a program that will be out of business when the Baby Boomers have to collect.

Some of the questions facing the controversy of Social Security are: Should it be means-tested? Were the notch babies cheated? Is the earnings limit fair? Are women, singles and minorities getting a raw deal? Are older people profiting at the expense of Baby Boomers?

For one thing, Social Security is a brilliant success — the most popular public program in American life today.

The assumption any generation, as a group, will pay more in taxes than it will receive in benefits is false. Every age group will get back more money than it pays in.

The real rate of return will be relatively modest for workers retiring next century, but then, the real rate of return on an average investment is relatively modest.

Also, the statement about public opinion is flatly contradicted by countless polls that repeatedly indicate every age bracket overwhelmingly supports the continuation of the Social Security system.

Moreover, every age bracket states it is willing if necessary, to pay higher taxes to sustain benefits.

The younger generation feels if they were able to take their contributions and invest them in the private sector, they would get more out of it. The economic facts are although people do receive a positive rate of return, it's much lower than the economy can offer.

The question is whether young people today could take their contributions, which in large part are going to older generations, invest them in the private economy, and after 30 years end up with a much higher return than they'd get through Social Security.

The answer is clearly yes. People shouldn't kid themselves by suggesting young and middle-aged people haven't been significantly burdened by a system they never voted on.

However, any government-sponsored retirement system, if it's financed on a pay-as-you-go basis, offering huge rates of return in its early years of operation, and those rates fall over time.

No wonder, Social Security was so popular in the past and is subject to so much concern among young workers today. They'll have to pay considerably more for their benefits and/or they'll have to pay considerably more for the benefits paid to the elderly than did earlier generations. The cost of generosity is rising.

The Baby Boom generation will represent an enormous group of retirees, but there are concerns about whether the system will have sufficient resources to pay their benefits.

We now are accumulating a Social Security trust fund reserve to set money aside for them, but there are concerns about whether the rest of the government's finances will worsen so the Baby Boomers will have the trust fund but lose in other ways.

For example, if the federal deficit continues to rise, Baby Boomers will get their Social Security benefits, but they'll have to pay much higher income taxes than retirees do now. Alternatively, Medicare growth continues unabated to such an extent the Social Security trust fund reserve may be tapped just to pay it off.

In the past, excess money accumulated from Social Security funds went into the general fund and were spent.

We need to get our house in order — stop fooling around with Social Security funds and keep the promise from generation to generation.

Town and You Together Can Win Snow Battles

By Mayor Garland C. "Bud" Boothe, Jr.

Snow.

That white stuff we do not see much of any more. Predictably unpredictable from the municipal point of view. And handled quite differently by the town than by our resident snowshovelers and snowblowers.

First, town equipment does not plow the snow to street surface — if we did, the 1,500-pound plow blades would take out the street. The plows have to ride about two inches off the surface, and a combination of traffic, sun, warming and salt materials eliminates the bottom inch or so. Areas where the crew knows this won't happen get salt after plowing.

The town does not send out the plow brigade until three inches have fallen and a greater fall is predicted. Salting starts when conditions are such that plowing is ineffective and roadways are icy. The town has a list of areas to be salted, including stop intersections and hilly areas.

The town crew has to move fast. County trucks repeatedly plow the 11 miles of county roads and two miles of state highway in town. Town forces have to clear everything else — over 110 miles of residential and business streets, curbs to curb. A priority sequence of streets exists, to clear major arteries first, and to get a plowed street within a couple of blocks of every home as fast as possible for fire, police, emergency and school reasons.

Snowstorms are a maximum effort. The entire Public Works Department and all equipment are put to work; in addition we hire around a dozen trucks and drivers, and they go to work when called, as assigned by the Public Works team to one of the 24 districts into which the town is divided.

Snow is not cheap to get rid of. Over the past few years we have had snow accumulations of four, six and nine inches; factoring in straight and overtime, and contractors, costs ran from \$2,300 to

\$3,475 per inch to plow.

A few things people do hurt and counteract the efforts of the town. Do any of these sound familiar?

— Backing a car heavily covered with snow out to the plowed street and then knocking the snow into the plowed right-of-way.

— Running the snowblower down the sidewalk and driveway and throwing into the cleared right of way.

— Digging out a car "plowed in" at the curb, throwing the snow into the plowed right of way.

I confess, I've done them all myself in time past. The result is a mound in the street, which passing traffic turns into a hump or an icy spot.

Since the town does not return to replot streets once cleared, the result is a problem which, in fairness to the town crew, they did not create.

I've watched and myself cleared a driveway down to broom clean — this can take the family an hour or two, depending on conditions, for a hundred or so feet of asphalt. There is no way the town can replicate this degree of snow removal with the time and money available.

Each snowfall varies from the prior one — when it happens is critical — the worst time is in the afternoon just before commuting time; the best is a quiet Sunday morning. We ask how much? Is it wet or dry? Is the wind blowing? Will it warm up or stay cold?

Fortunately, our crews have a lot of experience dealing with these conditions they cannot control.

Your help and cooperation and patience is appreciated.

Your comments on snow or any topic are welcome, to the Hot Line, 789-4046, or to Town Hall.

No Aerobics, Please For My Gray Matter

By LOUIS H. CLARK
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

There is one thing I emphatically do not want for Christmas and that is a gift certificate good for three months at one of the new brain gymnasiums springing up in the big cities.

To those who were thinking that way all I can say is thanks, my brain may not be the brightest. It may be too wrinkled and gripped with tension but I like it the way it is.

Not that I've got anything against gymnasiums. They do a very good job with the body, though I don't know anyone who's ever finished a course. But a brain gymnasium?

No, they don't take out your thinking piece and massage it so you're immediately put into the Super Man-or-Woman class. Instead you have to already be there considering the fees they charge.

What they do is soothe the brain down, put it to bed and make sure it sleeps soundly so early tomorrow morning you will be off to the races with the capacity of two brain loads for the price of one.

It's the way they calm the brain down that gives me the willies. It's like putting Disney World right inside your head. For instance, in one phase they give you opaque goggles with neon signs running around them while you listen to calming music and the chirps of birds, bees and grasshoppers.

This gives you what is called a beautiful brain. Now that concept does have

advantages. You don't have to dress a beautiful brain nor spend a fortune on gels to make it wavy and attractive, you

A Fireside Chat

This December wind shuffles emotions
Down narrow passageways, or even wide
Boulevards of changeability, the wind
That breezes the coming of Christmas.

By the fire, hearts mingle, even
If alone, and the romantic craving
Never goes unloved when the heart
Is filled with the love that surrounds.

Fireside, and talk with the heart,
As for once the body know no desire
But the communion of angels within
The heart, which is no longer troubled.

The fire snaps as now thought follows
Old thought, and all feelings embrace
What is to live, all that love
That existed all year, posted in the heart now.

The kindling and fuel for the Holiday
Fire is the burning desire for love
That ran in circles all year, now to be
Soon in the eyes of brothers and sisters

The Christmas fire is shared by our friends,
And our special friends will light their own
Fire, in homes not too far down the road,
Dreaming of the peace of the Season, long absent.

— Michael J. Petriano, 3rd



Elan, Eclat Do Battle In Language

1. elan 2. eclat
1. Enthusiasm; liveliness.
2. Brilliance of success or reputation.
Elan and eclat sound a bit like two warring Middle Eastern nations.

But, alas, elan and eclat are merely two words borrowed from the French language describing qualities that most of us would like to be accused of having.

Elan is a direct borrowing from the French language. It was based on the Old French word *lancer*, meaning to throw a lance, which in turn, was derived from the Latin word *lancea*, a lance.

Elan, therefore, is a peaceful version of a word based upon the perceived dash and bravado of a military lancer and the throwing of a lance.

It also can be argued eclat has military origins, because it is derived from the Old French word *eclater*, a word that imitates sound. Eclat means the bursting out of splintering often caused by the explosion of military weapons.

Through the ages, military adventures held a certain romantic fascination for many, and military actions, therefore, produced peaceful metaphors like elan and eclat.

Hansel & Gretel

To Be at Arts Center

The Union County Arts Center in Rahway has scheduled seven children's Sunday matinees this season, compared with only five last season.

The third of the seven, "Hansel & Gretel" will be presented on Sunday, January 24, at 3 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the center's 1601 Irving Street box office.

This version of the famous Grimm Brothers' fairy tale is based on the Humperdinck opera, complete with original score. It begins with a brief spoken overview of the art of opera, and then proceeds with the fully-staged production by a professional company specializing in puppet theater.

Tickets are \$6, and all seats are reserved. They may be purchased directly at the box office or by telephoning 449-8226.

The arts center is a professionally restored, nostalgic show palace built at the end of the vaudeville era, the late 1920s. Its ornate auditorium seats 1,300 and contains an authentic Wurlitzer pipe organ, frequently played at shows.

The building is situated at the junction of Irving and Main Streets and Central Avenue in the heart of the city's historic preservation district.

Max Lee Named Musician of Month

Max Lee, a third-grade student at Jefferson School, was recently selected as Musician of the Month. Max has studied privately since the age of five.

He currently studies violin with Mrs. Barbara Vierschilling.

don't even have to keep it out of the sun so it won't get wrinkled — it's wrinkled enough already.

I guess I'm old fashioned. If I'm frustrated, rotten and mean after a hard day there's a certain dark bar I go to. The beer I drink is soft and soothing. There are no neon lights because this bar doesn't like them. The subdued chatter of the various inmates sounds faintly like the buzz of bees picking on some flowers, and the women's slightly higher-pitched tones easily can be equated with the songs of birds. I happen to think that's better than mechanical means of manipulating my brain to make it more beautiful.

Then there are other ways to make everything calmer and gentler. Sometimes my wife and I are sitting alone; the children have gone to bed and we're reading against a background of beautiful music — the "beautiful" is your choice and your's alone — so all the sharp edges and grievances of the day disappear. Oh, we know they'll come back, but good old Scarlett was right when she said, "I'll worry about that tomorrow."

Of course, if you can find a daytime brain stimulator I could use one of those. Mine doesn't seem to get up to full steam until about 10:30 a.m.

Buying a Christmas Tree Shouldn't Bring Nightmares

Editor's Note: Following is an article on buying Christmas trees by former Westfielder, Ralph F. Dello-Russo of Ellicott City, Maryland, who has been freelance writing for about two years.

Normally, I don't buy the family Christmas tree until around December 20 or later.

I know, when you wait that long you don't get the "pick of the litter," the "cream of the crop," or, realistically, even a very good tree.

And I'll admit some of my trees in the past looked like ones Charles Schultz turned down as too sparse for his Charlie Brown's Christmas special. But this year was going to be different.

My wife decided to hold several Christmas parties at our house beginning in early December. So, right after Labor Day, when all of the merchants start decorating for the holidays, and huge tractor-trailers from the great North woods are rushing "fresh-cut" trees to every empty lot in the Christian world, I ventured forth.

I was going to buy the perfect tree. I used to like going out and cutting down my own tree. It gave me a wonderful sense of accomplishment and reaffirmed the pioneer spirit in my heart, but, after last year, when my next door neighbor came over for a cup of holiday cheer and remarked how similar my tree was to the one that had mysteriously been cut down from his front yard, I decided I would retail it this go around.

What I discovered were two universal axioms: One, the three that is perfect for you always is the most expensive tree on the lot, and two, no matter which tree you buy, it will be three times the size of the available area you've set aside in your house.

By the time Thanksgiving arrived I had scouted out several local merchants, all of whom had the best deal.

"No tree over \$15.00," "Fresh-cut this morning," "40 percent below last year," "We Deliver," all sought my business. Decisions, decisions. Finally the day of reckoning arrived.

I can't believe the problems that arose. All of the \$15.99 trees were sold out. The "fresh-cut" trees probably were, sometime around my senior prom, and the great price reduction only confirmed my suspicions that these were last year's trees too. The best promise of "we deliver" was based on the fact they'd have the tree to my door by Christmas Eve. Things were looking bad. Action was needed and quickly. For a fleeting moment I even considered the tree in my neighbor's back yard!

At last I made my decision. The Lion's Club was selling trees as a fund-raiser. I mean, the Lion's Club wouldn't cheat me, would they? My choice was excellent, it met all of my criteria for a tree; it was green, larger than a bread box and could be conveniently added to my second mortgage. All in all, a wise decision! Just when I thought my worries were over what should tangle my tinsel and remind me all was not joyous in holiday

land but the ride home. Looking back on it I realize I had no one to blame but myself.

I mean, after all, should I actually have trusted a guy who had been hovering over a barrel with flames leaping out all around him while he snuck sips from a brown paper bag "just to keep his fingers warm?"

Anyway, after lashing cord around my car and the tree so many times it probably would hole through Memorial Day, my smiling Lion sent me on my way. The first right turn I made did me in. For all of the intricate weaving that took place on top of my car the one key element that was missing soon became apparent; nothing was real tight.

The next thing I knew, my tree, still attached front and back, had slid off the roof and was no part of the side of my car. Not only could I not see anything other than this green monster, but I could not open my car door. I was effectively trapped by this menacing spirit of Christmas. By the time I was able to negotiate my way to the side of the road, climb over the console in my car and out through the passenger's door, I had attracted the attention of quite a few hysterically-laughing holiday shoppers. Cutting loose the tree seemed to be my only recourse. Somehow I was no longer in the Christmas spirit. Vowing to return the next day I propped the tree from hell up against a splendid maple tree.

It wasn't until I pulled into my driveway the realization struck me. How was I going to explain to my wife not only had I been gone all day, but I didn't have any tree to show for my efforts?

Then, out of the corner of my eye, this majestic symbol of Christmas caught my attention. The three in my neighbor's back yard. I could have it down and in my house in no time.

After all, I wasn't going to invite him into my house this year to raise a glass in cheer. Not after what he accused me of last year.



Fiery lava may reach temperatures from seven to ten times as hot as boiling water.



In the Welsh language, the letters W and Y are sometimes used as vowels, the Y is pronounced like the th in *athletics*, and the dd like the th in *this*.

POPCORN™ A Few Good Men Offers Several Good Moments

By Michael Goldberger

One Popcorn, Poor - Two Popcorns, Fair - Three Popcorns, Good - Four Popcorns, Excellent



A solidly good, provocative and entertaining courtroom drama, *A Few Good Men* benefits from especially fine acting performances.

However, the film version of the Aaron Sorkin play offers no novel bent to what is ultimately a tried-and-true old saw — David versus Goliath at high noon in the Great American courtroom; y'know, justice on trial... American ideals at stake, and won't it just be unbelievably crummy if the evil powers that be wind up thwarting the forces of good?

That's not necessarily cynicism opining, but merely a slightly glib categorization of the cinema in question, a pedigree genre to be sure, and a much beloved one at that.

But here's the point: The early word on *A Few Good Men* extolled its virtues, such as the film's possession of a plot, good acting and competent direction. Once

upon a time many films claimed those qualities, and now they can be seen regularly on several television stations that purvey the classics. It's a sad commentary, then, when a movie wins points simply because it has a beginning, a middle and an end.

In any case, those traditional Hollywood assets can be witnessed in *A Few Good Men*, all put neatly in focus by Rob Reiner.

In the bad-guy corner, grinning and snarling with bullying conviction, Jack Nicholson as Marine Colonel Nathan Jessup, a man who has helped himself to the American Dream the semper fi way. It's just jurisdictional stance that eventually comes under scrutiny following the death of a Marine Private in his command at Guantanamo Bay Naval Station, Cuba.

The no-deceased William Santiago was an acknowledged mess-up by Marine standards — a perhaps sickly fellow not cut from genuine gyrene cloth. The speculation here is Santiago was the victim of an over-zealous "Code Red" mission, an unofficial, vigilante form of disciplinary action practiced among Marines.

Attempting to prove this is Tom Cruise as Lieutenant Daniel Kaffee, the defense attorney for Privates Dawson and Delaney, portrayed as unwitting victims of a code of honor both exaggerated and tragically misinterpreted.

The movie dwells little on the defendants, but rather aims its laser directly on Cruise and company, the best darn military lawyers in this man, and woman's, navy. The woman in question is Demi Moore as Lieutenant Commander Joanne Galloway — the attorney who wanted to try the case, but who got the consolation prize instead, allowed to assist Daniel, the son of a legendary navy mouthpiece. Moore's character starts out as the meddling conscience and eventually becomes the wundercounselor's chief afflatus; rounding out the defense team is Kevin Pollack as Weinberg, the contemplative, steady-as-she-goes barrister.

From the outset Lieutenant Kaffee is offered a plea bargain that'll lessen the murder charge, have the boys out in a few years, and raffle no tail feathers among the big cheese set. His competent adversary, played with notable aplomb by Kevin Bacon, assures the prosecution has a good, strong case.

But it wouldn't have made for much of a movie if our hero copped a plea rather than opting to defend life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness — while proving himself every bit the son of the legendary legal mind, and then some.

Although the outline is patently garden variety, Reiner and his very game actors, especially Cruise, cultivate the material quite well, assuring *A Few Good Men* is certain to win numerous recruits.

Lafayette Cites Jodi Heimlich

Jodi Heimlich of Westfield, a sophomore liberal arts major at Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, co-chairs the comedy committee of the Lafayette Activities Forum, which organizes and administers a program of entertainment, concerts, films, issues forums and other special events for the Lafayette community.

The forum, for the third consecutive year, captured the top award at the regional conference of the National Association of Campus Activities.

Jodi is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Heimlich of Westfield.

Overlook to Host Ostomy Support Unit

Overlook Hospital in Summit will conduct a free support group for those who have undergone an ostomy and their families on Thursday, January 7, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Center for Community Health.

This is a free support program led by a health-care professional, sharing and supporting any ostomate and family members who have questions and concerns related to living with an ostomy.

Those interested in joining this group or who know someone who would benefit from this support group, may telephone 522-2140 or 522-2166.

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— Publius

Dr. Fuhrman Serves With Transition Team

Dr. Susan Fuhrman, the Director of the Consortium for Policy Research in Education at Rutgers University and the former Vice President of the Westfield Board of Education, is participating on the team studying the Education Department for President-elect Clinton's transition effort.

Dr. Fuhrman was invited to join the team by the president of Spelman College in Atlanta. The team is identifying key issues, studying pending legislation and looking at personnel structures.

Dr. Fuhrman served on the Westfield Board of Education for six years. She was a successful write-in candidate in 1986 and was re-elected to a second three-year term in 1989.

She was elected the Vice President

of the school board in May, 1991, and served in that role until the 1992 school election when she opted not to seek another term of office.

Dr. Fuhrman has been the Director of the Consortium for Policy Research in Education since it was founded in 1985.

The consortium is a joint venture of Rutgers and Harvard Universities, the University of Southern California, Michigan State and Stanford Universities and the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

Funded by the United States Department of Education, it studies state and local policies to improve schooling.

Last year, Dr. Fuhrman served on the Task Force on Standards of the National Council on Education Standards and Testing which was created by an Act of Congress to report to the nation on the desirability and feasibility of establishing voluntary national education standards and tests.

Dr. Fuhrman and her husband, Robert Fuhrman, have been residents of Westfield for 20 years.

They are the parents of three sons, two of whom are graduates of Westfield High School and the third who is currently a junior at the high school.

String Ensemble Plays for School

The Jefferson School String Ensemble, a group of third through fifth graders, recently performed at the school's Holiday Concert under the direction of Mrs. Barbara Vierschilling.

They played an arrangement called *Christmas Kings* which is usually performed by an older cadet orchestra.

Playing the violin were Jessica Hu, Max Lee and Rosemary Topar and the cello, Kantu Barr and Jacob Rosenstein.

Miss Shereschewsky Earns Bachelor's

Danielle H. Shereschewsky of 38 North Cottage Place was awarded a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Environmental Studies at commencement exercises on Saturday, December 19, at East Stroudsburg University in East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania.

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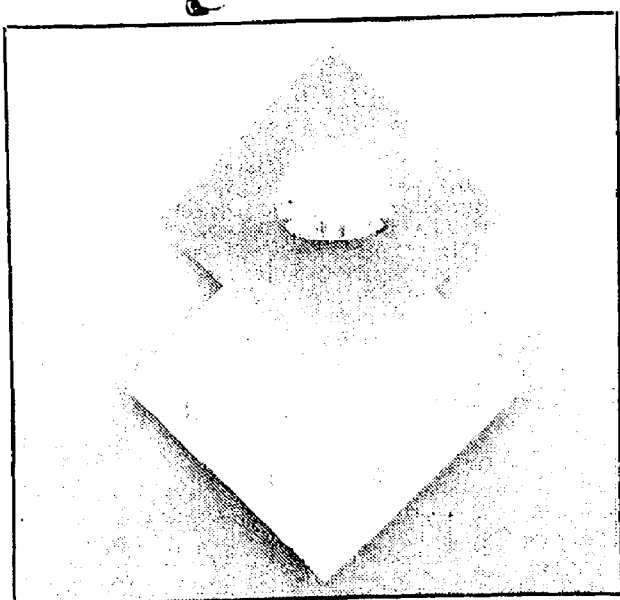
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Miss Lowell S. Wayman Bride of Mr. Wolfson

Miss Lowell S. Wayman and Jonathan W. Wolfson were married on Sunday, November 8, at the Unitarian Church in Summit by the

Reverend Joel Warner.

A reception followed at the Bernards Inn in Bernardsville.

Mrs. Wolfson is the daughter of Mrs. Barbara Wayman of Westfield and Peter Wayman of North Brunswick.

The couple both are graduates of Westfield High School.

The bride attended the Chubb Institute and is employed as a Relocation Manager for Prudential Relocation Management in an on-site center in New York City.

Mr. Wolfson is the son of Mrs. Sally Skidmore Wolfson of Westfield and Sheldon Wolfson of Miami.

The groom attended the University of Delaware and is a sales executive with ARC Communications in Piscataway.

Following a wedding trip to the Grand Cayman Islands, the couple is at home in West Orange.

Daughter Born To Schwamms

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Schwamm of the Short Hills section of Millburn, announced the birth of their daughter, Hannah Elizabeth Schwamm, on Saturday, December 12.

Hannah was born at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Slove of Westfield, and her paternal grandparents are Jay Schwamm and Mrs. Ellen Brodkey, both of New York City.



Alexander Christian Helander and Miss Andrea Elizabeth Matthews

Miss Andrea Matthews To Wed A. C. Helander

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Camolli of Port Washington, New York announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Andrea Elizabeth Matthews of Glen Ridge, to Alexander Christian Helander of Glen Ridge, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Helander of Westfield.

Miss Matthews also is the daughter of the late Ralph C. Matthews, Jr. of Frederick, Maryland.

The bride-to-be received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Mer-

chandising and Business from the University of Vermont in 1986. She is the Production Manager in the Bodywear and Socks Department of Liz Claiborne in Secaucus.

Her fiancé received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in English from the College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio in 1987. He has been with Polo Ralph Lauren for five years and currently is the Product Manager of the Menswear Department of the firm's Lyndhurst store.

The couple plans to wed this spring.

Miss Luisa J. Orto Dr. Symmans Engaged

Mrs. Jane S. Orto of Westfield announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Luisa Orto, to Dr. W. Fraser Symmans, the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. Ashley Symmans of Hamilton, New Zealand.

Miss Orto also is a daughter of the late Pasquale R. Orto.

A wedding is planned for next fall.

Miss Orto graduated from Boston University Summa Cum Laude in 1985 and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She is a doctoral candidate at New York University's Institute of Fine Arts in New York City and a Fulbright Scholar in Milan.

Her father, a chemical engineer, was the President and owner of a business in Kenilworth, while her mother is the President of the Westfield College Woman's Club.

The younger Dr. Symmans, a pathologist, received a medical degree from the University of Auckland Medical School in Auckland, New

Zealand in 1987 and completed his residency at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in New York City in 1992.

He is a Fellow at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston. His father, a pathologist, is a partner of Medlab and the Director of Pathology Services at Waikato Hospital in Hamilton.

His mother is a regional representative of the Royal Federation of New Zealand Justices' Associations.

Matthew Venhorst Plays Saxophone

Matthew Venhorst is a member of the Saxophone Sextet from Edison Intermediate School which played at the December 16 Christmas program of the Fortnightly Group, the evening membership department of the Woman's Club of Westfield.

Rotarians Give Students Preview of Careers

Before joining Westfield Rotarians at their regular weekly luncheon meeting at the Westfield "Y" last week 28 Westfield High School students took the opportunity to visit and become familiar with a variety of businesses and professions in town.

Thirty Rotarians offered to spend time with the students at their places of business in order to assist in the difficult task of choosing a career or, on the other hand, deciding not to follow certain careers. The participating students chose to visit 15 businesses offering a wide variety of career opportunities.

Club President, Mrs. Linda B. Maggio, welcomed the students and introduced Miss Elena Pombo, who is spending a year at Westfield High School as a Rotary Youth Exchange Student from Madrid.

The students joined Rotarians in listening to me program for the day — a talk and show of slides on megalithic monuments worldwide given by Rotarian George Bonnell.

Son Born To Bonsalls

Dr. and Mrs. William Bonsall of Westfield announced the birth of their son, Tyler William Bonsall, on Wednesday, December 9.

Tyler was born at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

His maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. William Lee of Davenport, Iowa, and his paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bonsall of Westfield.



CHEF IN TRAINING...High school student Rina Kitazawa last week participated in Youth-in-Business Day organized by the Rotary Club of Westfield. Rotarian Ken Marcotte introduces Rina to the preparation of dishes to be served later in the day at Ken Marcotte International Delicacies Restaurant on Elm Street.



SPINAL LESSON...Rotarian, Dr. Kenneth J. Ciarracca, explains the principles of chiropractic medicine to high school students, Richard Cina, left, and Bryce Garrison during their visit to Dr. Ciarracca's office on South Avenue during Rotary's Youth-in-Business Day last week.

Workshops Slated to Stem Drug Abuses by Students

"Parents and guardians can make a difference in helping their children choose healthy, drug-free futures," said Mrs. Margaret Klick, Supervisor of Health Services for the Westfield Public Schools, in announcing a new series of five parent education workshops.

The five workshop sessions are scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays, January 12, 19 and 26 and February 2 and 9, at Wilson School. They will be presented by Mrs. Benedette Graf, the Washington School health educator and nurse, and Mrs. Audrey Zavetz, the English teacher at Roosevelt Intermediate School.

"The workshops will give parents information and skills necessary to take an active role in drug prevention in their families," said Mrs. Klick.

Over the past two years, five Westfield Public School staff members have been trained to present the workshops through cooperative financing by the Westfield Board of Education and Preventing Alcohol, Narcotic and drug Abuse, Westfield's Municipal Alliance.

To date, more than 140 parents have participated in workshops conducted by school staff members.

"Preparing for the Drug Free Years" is for parents of children in grades four through seven—the grades when prevention has its highest impact," said Mrs. Klick. "The program demonstrates how parents can decrease the chances that their children will become involved with drugs," she said.

Topics covered in the workshops include: Strengthening family bonds, developing communication skills and managing conflict that is inevitable in all families.

At the third session, parents and guardians are invited to bring their children and other family members to the workshop.

Westfield residents interested in additional information or interested in registering for this free workshop series should contact the Westfield Public School System's health services department at 789-4519.

Girl Scouts Enjoy Concert

Members of Browne Troop No. 56 of Jefferson School and Daisy Troop No. 835 of Jefferson recently attended a Girl Scout concert with Jonathan Sprout. Among those attending were: Jennifer Stribling, Jessica Schwahl, Marissa Marcus, Stephanie Valenti, Tara Stroud and Melissa Walsh of Troop No. 56 and Megan Valenti and Christina Marcus of Troop No. 835.

Franklin Students Sing and Play For Yule Program

The Franklin School Holiday Program was presented on December 17. Holiday songs were sung by the chorus students in the fifth grade, and selected instrumental music students played holiday songs.

Some of those participating were Carolyn White, Greg Sherman, Elizabeth Sweney, Nicholas Herman, Meryl Roche, Julie Phelan and Jennifer Benstein.

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Consumer Tips Offered For Charity Giving

"As the 1992 tax year draws to a close, it is important, I think, to look closely at the charitable donations one plans to make," James Nixon, the President of the Board of Trustees of the United Fund of Westfield said.

"The United Fund of Westfield has issued 'consumer tips' for charity giving, much of which takes place during the holiday season. I believe it would be worthwhile for Westfield Leader readers to be apprised of what to look for in terms of organizations which solicit money."

Almost 970,000 charitable organizations exist in America today. During the holiday season, it seems each one of them is asking for donations. The daily mail is filled with solicitations. The telephone rings with calls for fund-raiser of all types.

The problem faced by the potential giver this time of year is coping with the rising tide of requests — distinguishing the responsible and accountable from the fraudulent and mismanaged.

The following list of questions has been developed so people can investigate before making a contribution.

Some informational documents can be requested from the organization.

1. Does the organization publish an annual report and provide it upon request? Does the annual report contain a detailed annual budget certified by an independent public accounting firm?

2. Does the organization have an active and responsible volunteer governing board?

3. Is there a clear statement of purpose, and do the organization's programs and services address that stated purpose?

4. Does it have a responsible program, along with responsible management and fund-raising expenses?

5. Is the organization providing services in your community?

6. Who decides how your charitable donation is spent? For example, money given to the United Fund of Westfield goes through a committee of volunteers that makes funding decisions based on an assessment of community needs.

7. Are the organization's publicity and promotional materials ethical and accurate? What does the charity claim; does it deliver?

Givers also can check with several organizations before making a contribution. Those organizations include:

1. United Fund. Organizations receiving funds from the United Fund have undergone a rigorous review of their budgets, programs and services. This review is completed by local volunteers, based on assessments of community needs. To find out if the organization soliciting you is supported by United Way, please telephone the United Fund of Westfield at 233-2113.

2. Internal Revenue Service. Check

with the Internal Revenue Service to determine whether the organization you are considering giving to has 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status. If it does not, then your gift is not tax deductible.

Note: Because of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, only people who itemize on their income tax returns may deduct the money or value of property they contribute to tax-exempt organizations. Non-itemizers do not receive a charitable deduction.

3. Better Business Bureau. The bureau maintains an active monitoring program and aggressive philanthropic advisory service that declare standards of charitable groups. The bureau's Philanthropic Advisory Council is headquartered in Arlington, Virginia and may be telephoned at (703) 276-0133. It maintains files on thousands of national charitable organizations.

4. National Charities Information Bureau. The bureau evaluates national charitable groups against its own eight basic standards (for example, whether a volunteer Board of Directors exists or whether the organization uses ethical publicity).

The bureau advises contributors through its reports about individual agencies. It does not advise donors to give or not to give. But the bureau does encourage donors to request detailed reports about the national charitable organization in which they have an interest. Anyone can obtain the list of organizations meeting the bureau's published standards by writing to the bureau, 19 Union Square West, New York, New York 10003.

Giving USA 1992 reports typically Americans give 2.6 per cent of their pre-tax income to charitable organizations. Individual giving is responsible for more than 89 per cent of the \$124.77 billion raised by charities in 1991.

The main beneficiaries of this outpouring are religious organizations, \$67.59 billion; educational organizations, \$13.24 billion; the health field, \$9.68 billion; human service groups like the United Fund, \$10.61 billion; the arts and humanities, \$8.81 billion; international relief, \$2.59 billion, and the environment, \$2.54 billion.

Even though Americans have suffered a decline in their household income, they continue to give and volunteer, according to a new national survey by Independent Sector.

The Washington, D.C.-based organization released the latest results of its Gallup study, which shows 72 per cent of American households reported making a charitable contribution in 1991 and over half of Americans volunteered.

Roughly 94 million adults volunteered a total of 20.5 billion hours in 1991, and the estimated dollar value of their services was \$176 billion.



LEGISLATIVE LEADERS... Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger of Westfield is shown, left, with his new Assembly partner Alan M. Augustine, who was sworn in on December 14 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Representative-elect Robert D. Franks.

Realtors Advise Residents To Know Their Plumbing

Some of the most exasperating home repair problems crop up when something goes wrong with the plumbing. And serious difficulties can lead to costly repair bills. Planning for plumbing emergencies now can save you money and headaches later, reports the Westfield Board of Realtors.

"Fortunately, a properly-installed system should not cause you many problems," Mrs. Pinky Luerssen, the President of the Westfield Board of Realtors, said.

"Better yet, some common minor plumbing hassles, such as clogged drains and leaky faucets, probably can be treated successfully by those industrious homeowners looking to save a few dollars," she noted.

All you need is a little knowledge, a few tools and a common-sense approach to problem solving, the board President said.

"I might add the successful home plumber also knows when it's time to call in a professional," Mrs. Luerssen noted. "After all, there's no room for pride when you have a basement full of water."

Your first step should be to do a little homework on plumbing. Browse through home repair books at the library or book store. Most will offer easy-to-follow advice on how to fix a variety of things around the house.

Books containing detailed diagrams and user-friendly instructions are the best. With so many "do-it-yourself" books on the shelves, picking out only one or two suitable volumes may be a homeowner's biggest dilemma, she said.

Now it's time to tour your home and become acquainted with the plumbing system. Learn the location of all shutoff valves, particularly the main shutoff valve. A good place to look for the main valve is near the water meter, according to the realtor.

Shutoff valves for sinks, commodes and other fixtures ordinarily are located beneath the fixture in question. However, in some homes, they might be found in the basement or crawl space.

Use these valves — when accessible — to cut off the water supply to malfunctioning fixtures.

"Make sure adults in the family know the location of the main shutoff valve since it controls water to the entire house," Mrs. Luerssen advises. "It could mean the difference between a dry and a flooded basement."

Of course, if your home has a septic tank buried in the yard, you should know where it is in the case of an emergency. Your yard may suffer considerable damage in a plumbing emergency if not found quickly.

You can locate a septic tank with the help of blueprints for your home.

If the blueprints are unavailable, check with the builder or previous owner, she added.

What type of tools should you have on hand for plumbing emergencies? A plunger, an adjustable wrench, an auger and a screwdriver will be enough for most drain problems. For leaky faucets, you'll also need assorted washers, a reseating tool and some packing thread.

A reliable hardware or plumbing supply dealer is a good source for tools and answers to your specific questions, according to the board President.

While you won't be able to handle every plumbing emergency yourself, armed with a little knowledge, a few tools and common sense, you should be able to trim costs for minor repairs. But in a real emergency, call in the professionals to avoid even bigger and more costly plumbing repair costs down the road, she advised.

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Assembly Adopts Bill For Reciprocal Taxes

The New Jersey Assembly adopted legislation on December 17, sponsored by Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger of Westfield, that would tax New York residents working in New Jersey the same way New York taxes New Jersey residents working there.

Assemblyman Bagger's legislation, Assembly Bill 1071, would change the method by which non-resident taxpayers would be assessed their New Jersey state gross income tax.

Under the bill, a non-resident with New Jersey income would first compute tax as if a state resident and then prorate that liability by the ratio of New Jersey income to all taxable income.

New York passed a similar measure in 1988, causing then-Assembly Speaker Charles L. Hardwick of Westfield to sponsor legislation,

which did not pass, identical to the bill introduced by Assemblyman Bagger.

Assemblyman Bagger, a former legislative aide to Assemblyman Hardwick was elected to replace Mr. Hardwick upon his retirement from the Assembly.

"New York has demonstrated nothing but complete disregard for the New Jersey commuter with its tax increases for New Jersey residents. New York tries to use the hard-earned dollars of New Jersey commuters to close New York City's budget gap," Assemblyman Bagger explained. "Why shouldn't New Jersey treat New York commuters the same way?"

The measure, identical to legislation introduced in State Senate, was approved by a vote of 74 to 0 and now heads to the State Senate for consideration.

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Pre-School Science Fair To Be Held at Trailside

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced the return of the Trailside Pre-school Science Fair.

Parents may bring their pre-schooler, aged 3 to 5, to the Trailside Nature and Science Center on Coles Avenue and New Providence Road, Mountainside to see the sixth annual fair.

The fair encourages team learning as adult and child play and experiment together at six discovery stations. The stations will be set up at Trailside's museum and 10-minute intervals will be allotted for exploring and learning at each station.

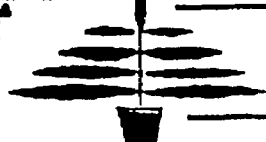
Discovery station themes will be: *Busy Beaks, Air You There, Paper-making, Penny Secrets, What Goes Up Must Come Down* and *Simply Electrifying*.

Parents can choose from several one-hour sessions offered Saturdays, February 27, March 6 or March 13, and Monday through Friday, March 1 to 5 and March 8 to 12. Session

times will be 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 11 a.m. to noon, and 1 to 2 p.m.

This year a new after-school session from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays is being offered and first and second graders may attend with an adult. The fee is \$3 per person. Registration is required and there is a limit of two children per adult.

In-person registration began on December 19. Mail-in registration after this date will be accepted if space is available. For space availability and session times, please telephone 789-3670.



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On her appointment to the board, Mrs. DiGiovanni said, "It is going to be a pleasure working with everyone."

Mrs. DiGiovanni joins fellow Republicans Chairman Louis A. Santagata, Vice chairman, Miss Linda-Lee Kelly; Frank H. Lehr, James F. Keefe and Mario A. Paparozzi.

The three Democrats on the board, who all won reelection on November 3, are Elmer M. Ertl, Casimir Kowalczyk and Walter McLeod.

The Republicans will maintain their 6-3 majority in 1993.

At the urging of Freeholder Keefe, the board approved the drafting of a resolution that voices its objection to a bill before the State Senate that would give Freeholder boards the sole power of approving or rejecting all actions of bodies such as the Union County Utilities Authority.

Mr. Keefe told the board from what he has read the bill was "poorly drafted and ill conceived." He said among other things the bill would greatly

impact on bonding for county projects.

"The good and the bad is that we would have the opportunity to veto the actions of the utilities authority. By the same token, we would have all the flack they get constantly and that we get. We really don't want that to fall on our shoulders," Freeholder Lehr said.

Freeholder Santagata was praised by board members and officials for his guidance as Chairman during this year.

"He had to hear a considerable amount of controversy and used good judgment," Miss Kelly said.

"It has been my pleasure to be Chairman this year. I thank the Freeholders for their support they gave me," Mr. Santagata noted.

The next scheduled meeting is the reorganizational session to be held on Friday, January 1, in the courtroom of Union County Assignment Judge Edward W. Beglin, Jr. in the County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

Census Shows Influence Of State's Agriculture

According to the most recent census of agriculture, released in 1987, New Jersey ranked fourth nationwide in both pounds and acres of peaches harvested.

The state's peach production accounted for 4 per cent of the nation's peach harvest, some 85.4 million pounds.

The evidence comes from the census of agriculture, taken approximately every five years dating back to 1840.

Further trends will be measured when the 1992 Census of Agriculture is taken early next year. It is the only source of uniform, comprehensive data on agricultural production, inventories, sales, expenditures and other items for each county, state and the nation. The census of agriculture, an integral part of the other economic censuses, helps local, state and federal governments and organizations determine regional economic health and vitality.

Meanwhile, here is more of the state's agricultural story as shown by the most recent census of agriculture and related census information.

Fruits, nuts and berries accounted for 16.6 per cent of the state's total market value of crop sales; vegetables, sweet corn and melons account for 27.4 per cent, and nursery and greenhouse crops account for 41.2 per cent.

New Jersey harvested 3.2 million bushels of soybeans on 106,296 acres.

New Jersey had a milk cow inventory of 32,067 head. The dairy products sold totaled \$55.6 million in 1987.

Farm organizations, farmer cooperatives and agribusinesses, universities, state and federal agencies, and legislators use the information reported in the agriculture census.

Here are some examples:

- Congress uses the census of agriculture to help develop, evaluate and revise farm production and rural development legislation. Information can be used to target farmers and farm communities with specific needs.

- State and local governments use census data to analyze and develop policy on land use, irrigation needs, farmland assessment and rural development.

- Farmer cooperatives and agribusinesses use the data to develop sales territories and to determine the most effective and efficient locations for distribution centers for farm equipment, machinery and supplies.
- Farm organizations use the data to develop farm programs and policy proposals.

- Universities use census data to understand trends in farming and

the rural economy. Specialists analyze data which assist planners and developers in directing state and local development.

- The Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service uses crop information to devise payment schedules in the administration of soil improvement, set aside and related conservation programs.

- The United States Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service uses the data to plan operations during outbreaks of disease or infestations of pests. The agency estimates the extent of the problem is appropriately distribute resources.

- The Extension Service and Cooperative State Research Service rely on census information to determine the number of farmers by race, gender and type of operation, which enables county extension agents and university professors to better serve farmer and community needs.

- The agriculture department's Economic Research Service uses the census of agriculture to prepare farm income and cost-of-production estimates, as well as assess patterns and trends in resource use and management. Census data serve as a reference to agriculture department's survey data.

1987 State Agriculture Poultry

- Sales of poultry and their products totaled \$27.8 million. Some 950 farms reported an inventory of 2.1 million chickens 3 months old or older.

Livestock

- New Jersey reported 2,231 farms with cattle and calves and an inventory of 77,581 in 1987. The number of cattle and calves sold during 1987 totaled 43,257 head.

- Hogs and pigs accounted for \$5.1 million in sales. The state's 1987 inventory numbered 31,968 head.

- The number of hogs and pigs sold totaled 52,320 of which 9,438 were feeder pigs.

Crops

- Wheat for grain was harvested on 21,070 acres from 551 farms. There were 869,823 bushels produced during 1987. Wheat represented \$2.5 million in agricultural sales.

- Farms producing wheat decreased from 804 farms in 1982 to 551 farms in 1987.

- Hay, all types, was grown on a total of 122,451 acres in 1987.

- Alfalfa hay was grown on 45,208 acres in New Jersey.

- Tame hay was grown on 53,052 acres in 1987.

- New Jersey ranked 12th in acres of vegetables harvested for sale with 72,521 acres.

- New Jersey ranked second in acres of tame blueberries for sale with 7,768 acres.

- New Jersey ranked seventh in acres of tomatoes harvested for sale with 6,767 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested snap beans for sale on 10,400 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested cucumbers and pickles for sale on 3,585 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested sweet corn for sale on 11,988 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested green peas for sale on 2,109 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested lettuce and romaine for sale on 3,555 acres.

- New Jersey farms harvested peaches for sale on 13,622 acres.

- Farms in New Jersey harvested 2.2 million pounds of strawberries.

- Production of Irish potatoes exceeded 1.2 million hundredweight in 1987. Farms with Irish potatoes numbered 105.

Production Expenses

- For all farms, production expenses averaged \$42,920 in New Jersey.

- Animal producers purchased a total of \$34.1 million of feed for livestock and poultry.

- In 1987, a total of \$15.1 million of livestock and poultry were purchased.

- New Jersey agriculture producers spent \$20 million for petroleum products in 1987, \$8.9 million less than in 1982. Agricultural operators spent \$23.8 million for commercial fertilizers and \$17.3 million for agricultural chemicals in the most recent census of agriculture.

Operator Characteristics

- In New Jersey, 4,180 farmers reported farming as their principal occupation.

- Average years on their present farm in New Jersey was 17.9 in 1987.

- In 1987, 850 New Jersey farmers were less than 35 years old, while 1,988 were 65 or over. The average age of farmers and ranchers for New Jersey was 52.9 years.

General Information

- New Jersey had 9,032 farms in 1987.

- New Jersey did not join a national trend in the decline of total farms, gaining 9.1 per cent from 1982 to 1987.

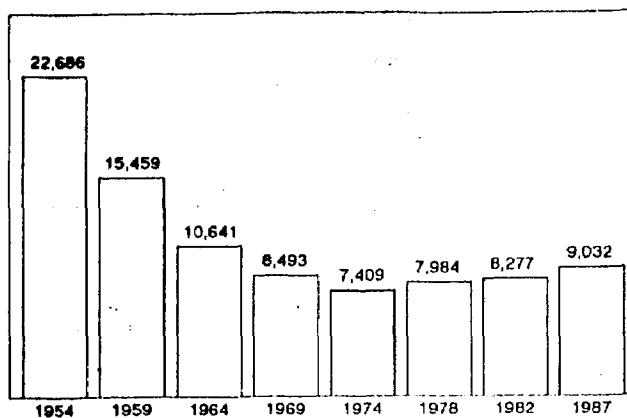
- New Jersey had 642,534 acres of total cropland.

- New Jersey had 484,805 acres of harvested cropland.

- The average size of a farm in acres for New Jersey was 99 acres, with average sales per farm of \$54,916. In 1987, average United States farm size was 462 acres, with average sales per farm of \$65,165.

- The number of farms with 2,000 acres or more was 14. Farms selling over \$500,000 in more agricultural products sold accounted for 41.4 per

Number of New Jersey Farms:
1987 and Earlier Census Years



Source: Bureau of the Census.

cent of New Jersey's total sales.

- The average value of land and buildings per farm increased over the last two censuses, from \$343,137 in 1982 to \$396,198 in 1987.

- The market value of New Jersey agricultural products sold increased

over the last two censuses, from \$436 million in 1982 to \$496 million in 1987.

- During 1987, government payments were made to 729 New Jersey farms with an average receipt of \$9,296.

Traffic Circle Concerns Top Committee's Agenda

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Union County and New Jersey for approval.

Finally, the committee recommended there be no right turn on red at West Broad Street and two-way traffic on South Avenue to the Town Council.

Concerning long-term plans for the traffic circle, Mr. Gottko presented an enhanced drawing to the committee, giving a demonstration of how the traffic would flow.

He explained the traffic was designed to flow in the manner put forth "so you don't have the number of conflict points."

Councilman Gruba asked if pedestrians would be able to cross more easily, particularly at South and Westfield Avenues, and Mr. Gottko said the situation would remain pretty much as it is.

The Engineer also said there would be "no touching of the sidewalks at all," and, at the request of Mayor Boothe, the proposal is currently being studied by the county before it goes to the state.

The next matter on the agenda was the possible placement of Guide-a-Rides, which are visible maps delineating bus routes and times on Bus Route Nos. 59 and 113.

Councilman MacRitchie said he found out "any municipality can provide them at local town expense."

He also noted speed limit signs have been installed on Boulevard and Summit, Boynton and Central Avenues, and "the folks on these streets are very grateful."

He also told the committee special downtown parking signs, at the continued request of local merchants, have been installed in the business district.

Regarding the proposed downtown parking deck, upgraded information on the cost of construction was sought by the committee and M. Jockers Vincentsen, who owns a construction supervision firm, provided Councilman MacRitchie with data showing the cost for building the deck will have increased 9 to 12 per cent from when it was first proposed in 1989 by January.

The Councilman also said that the Special Improvement District and the Downtown Management Corporation would provide "stable funding" for the project.

Concerning taxi regulations, the committee will recommend to the council the deregulation of taxi fares, which Councilman MacRitchie said would entail amending and modifying Chapter No. 37 of the Town Code.

Mr. Gottko, referring to the town master plan, said federal funding that was not on "the county list" could not be received, and the committee decided to recommend special meetings be devoted exclusively to the master plan, and Councilman Gruba noted the master plan would receive special attention at a single-agenda meeting.

In dealing with the matter of downtown parking, members of the committee talked about permit parking as well as two-hour parking in the lot between Elm and Prospect Streets where the Westfield Cigo station used to be located, currently known as municipal parking area No. 8.

Councilman MacRitchie said he would make this recommendation to Westfield Chamber of Commerce President Robert A. Newell.

Town Girl Performs In Nutcracker

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week period.

Aimee studies at the School of the American Ballet at Lincoln Center. She also has studied for a year here in Westfield with Mrs. Ann Ingalls.

Aimee, who is in the fourth grade at Franklin School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lombard of Westfield. She has an older sister, Melissa Lombard, who also danced in *The Nutcracker* for three years, and a younger brother, Michael, 5.

Performances of *The Nutcracker* will be presented every evening until Sunday, January 3.

In addition to dancing, Aimee is a Junior Girl Scout and also enjoys swimming and tennis.

The topic of broken parking meters also arose, and Mr. Gottko said Mrs. Linda Chieffo, the Clerk of the Violations Bureau, would like to see a message on all parking summons to let officials know if the ticket was received at a broken meter.

However, Mr. Gottko said "mot of them (the meters) are operational" but, "sometimes it'll slip a little bit and you'll get 11 minutes instead of 12."

He repeated, "The system is working."

Councilman Gruba replied, "The system's okay."

Two additional items were added to the agenda — the suggested elimination of parking spaces on the corner of East Broad Street and Elm Street, adjacent to Randall's Shoe Store, and the installation of "walk" signs at the intersection.

Councilman Hely advocated no action. Councilman MacRitchie said one space should be removed and Councilman Gruba said he was 100 per cent for the removal of one or more spaces.

The action, to remove one or more spaces, would be to ease the traffic situation at the intersection.

Councilman Jenkins wondered how the business community would feel, and said the idea to eliminate the space or spaces should be discussed with Mr. Newell.

Councilman Gruba said older people had spoken to him about a possible "walk" sign at the intersection.

Councilman Hely suggested rather than this that sings calling for motor traffic yielding to pedestrians, as per state law, be installed instead.

Mr. Gottko said only on Central Avenue and Sycamore Street does the town have "walk" signs. Mr. Hely and the rest of the committee agreed the cost of these signs should be investigated.

No good man ever grew rich all at once.

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Nine Achieve Honor Status At Delbarton

The following nine Westfield students have been named to the Headmaster's List for the fall term at the Delbarton school in Morristown.

Highest Honor
Saventh Grade
Christopher Janzon
Eleventh Grade
Edward O'Donnell
Ninth Grade
John Beechline
High Honors
Tenth Grade
Matthew Janson
Tenth Grade
Michael James Cunningham
Brian P. Janson
Honors
Saventh Grade
John Murphy
Ninth Grade
Kevin McAnally
Twelfth Grade
Bernard Fitzsimmons

Katherine Burslem In Locomotive Band

Katherine Burslem, a freshman at Locomotive College in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, has been accepted into the Locomotive College Concert Band.

Katherine who is a 1992 graduate of Westfield High School, plays the flute. She is the daughter of Mrs. Paula Vining of Westfield.

International Club Features Press Aide

The International Club of the Westfield "Y" for its program on Thursday, January 7 at 10 a.m. at the "Y" will feature Mita Mersel from Slovenia, the Chairman of the Foreign Press Association, as the speaker.

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Legislature Approves School Aid Measure

The school aid bill which would increase spending on the state's education system by \$292 million and establish a study group to develop a permanent funding formula by Monday, November 15, of next year was approved by the Senate and Assembly on Thursday and sent to Governor James J. Florio, who is expected to sign it into law.

The law would give superintendents of schools and local boards of education reliable state aid figures and time to work these figures into their budgets for the 1993-1994 school year.

Passage of the compromise bill puts off the task of devising a long-range plan for financing the Garden State's public schools until after the November 1993 elections for Governor and the entire legislature.

The bill replaces a Republican bill which would have mandated full-day kindergarten in urban school districts with language only encouraging the kindergarten change.

It also provides that no district will receive less aid in the 1993-1994 school year than it receives this year.

The \$292 million increase includes \$115 more for the 30 poorest urban school systems in the state, known as "special needs" districts under the Quality Education Act.

The special needs districts also would be able to obtain grants for capital construction projects from a \$50 million fund made possible by a proposal from the Florio administration to refinance \$1.6 billion in state bond debt.

The urban districts would be encouraged to use the grant money to repair deteriorating school buildings

or expand capacity to provide pre-kindergarten and all-day kindergarten programs.

Also included is a \$46 million increase in state aid for middle-income and wealthy districts, a \$4 million increase for transportation costs for all districts and a \$1 million appropriation for a newly-formed vocational education district in Hunterdon County.

The bill also provides for a \$76 million increase in the state's contribution to the teachers' pension fund and Social Security and would require the state to assume permanent responsibility for these costs.

Categorical aid — money for programs for at-risk pupils and bilingual education — would be frozen at current levels.

School district budgets will be allowed to grow as much as they did this year, or by 5 per cent, whichever is greater.

The plan also calls for a bipartisan commission to study school funding over the next year and provide recommendations to the Governor and Legislature by November 15.

Six members of the commission would be appointed by the Governor, six by the Legislature and three by the New Jersey Association for Public Schools, which includes the New Jersey Education Association, the New Jersey School Boards Association, the New Jersey Association of School Administrators, the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials, the New Jersey Parent-Teacher Association, the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association and the Education Law Center.

Ashbrook Gives Advice On Medicare Benefits

If you have a loved one who may need nursing home care sometime in the future, it's important to start financial planning early. One important program to consider is Medicare, a federal health insurance plan for people 65 and older and certain disabled people under 65, according to Mrs. Barbara J. Muraglia, the Admissions Director at Ashbrook Nursing Home in Scotch Plains.

"It's a mistake to think Medicare pays for whatever nursing home services are needed. Less than 5 per cent of New Jersey nursing home residents have their care paid for by Medicare," said Mrs. Muraglia.

Medicare is administered by the Health Care Financing Administration of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. The Social Security Administration provides information about the program and handles enrollment. Claims administration is handled by a private insurance company acting as the administration's agent, she added.

The Medicare Program is divided into two parts — Part A covers inpatient care in a hospital or nursing home and Part B is a medical insurance plan. Part A may pay for some daily services. Part B covers such services as physicians and laboratory services, Mrs. Muraglia noted.

"Medicare has rigid restrictions and guidelines detailing under what circumstances it will pay for nursing home services," Mrs. Muraglia said.

Medicare will pay for nursing home care under these conditions:

- You are admitted to the nursing home from the hospital within 30 days of hospital discharge.

- The medical reason for admission to the nursing home is consistent with the medical reason for hospitalization.

- You require daily skilled nursing care and/or skilled rehabilitative services as defined by Medicare.

"Custodial services, as defined by Medicare, are not covered under the program," Mrs. Muraglia said. "For example, Medicare does not cover

stays for chronically-ill patients who may have Alzheimer's Disease or who may require assistance with a variety of activities of daily living."

If you do meet the criteria, Medicare will pay up to the first 20 days of nursing home services plus an additional partial payment for another 80 days, for a total of 100 days of coverage. Partial payment means Medicare pays for part of the cost and the patient pays for the remainder. At present, the remaining cost, called co-insurance, is \$84.50 per day.

"It is very rare a patient will qualify for 100 days of coverage," Mrs. Muraglia explained. "When a patient's condition improves to the point they no longer require skilled services, Medicare coverage will stop."

Readers may contact their nearest Social Security office to see if they automatically are covered by Part A and to learn more about Part B.

There are a variety of publications available to help you learn more about Medicare.

Readers may write to Medicare Publications, Health Care Financing Administration, 6325 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, 21207, or telephone Social Security at 1-800-772-1213.

The New Jersey Department of Insurance provides an insurance counseling service, called Ship, free of charge to senior citizens. Union Hospital participates in this program. For more information or to make an appointment, please telephone 964-0444.

In addition, Ashbrook Nursing Home has qualified people who can answer questions about Medicare eligibility and coverage for nursing homes. Please telephone Mrs. Muraglia at 889-5500.

Ashbrook is a member of the Mega Care family of private, non-profit nursing homes. The healthcare center is located at 1610 Raritan Road.

No one should be judge in his own case.

—Publius



ON KEY...Show tunes by the Broadway Singers were enjoyed by members of the American Association of Retired Persons at their meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Mrs. Jeannette Maraffi, Director, is shown with Coleen Sexton, Angelo Uccifera, Maria Ware and Lindsey Greenwald representing the singers.



SADDLING UP...Westfield Cadette Girl Scout Troop Nos. 502 and 646 spent an afternoon recently learning about horses. Fifteen scouts and four leaders went to Watchung Stables in Mountainside. The group had a 30-minute barn tour and 30 minutes of horseback riding. Horse care and grooming as well as feed types and the various types of tack were discussed by Robin Szatowski, an employee. Although the scouts rode on English saddles, several Western saddles were shown and the differences noted, including the lovely tooling or designs carved into the leather of Western saddles. Mary Ann Gaglia, a riding instructor, took the group into one of five rings at the stables where the scouts learned how to control their mounts, how to change direction and how to stop. The leaders included Miss Tammy Lopez, Mrs. Rosa Burnett, Mrs. Carol Thompson and Mrs. Bernadine Liebrich.

Resuscitation Courses Set At Overlook Hospital

A three-session basic cardiac life support course, open to anyone over the age of 14, will be held on January 11, 12 and 14 or January 25, 27 and 28 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at Overlook Hospital in Summit's Mobile Intensive Care Unit building at 52 Beauvoir Avenue, Summit.

Participants will learn one- and two-man cardiopulmonary resuscitation and obstructed airway techniques for both adults and children. Those who successfully complete the course will receive an American Heart Association cardiopulmonary resuscitation card. Class size is limited.

A three-hour course in the resuscitation technique also will be held on Tuesday, January 19, from 7 to 10 p.m. This class is open to the public, and anyone over the age of 14 may attend this class to learn the life-saving technique. Those who attend the course will receive a review booklet and a course-complete card. The class is limited to the first 25 registrants.

A microshield may be purchased at a cost of \$6; the shield can be carried in a purse or pocket just in case there is a need.

In addition, Overlook will offer a two-session American Heart Association training course, "Little Heart Saver," infant and child resuscitation, which will be held on Tuesday and

Thursday, January 5 and 7, from 7 to 10 p.m., and is an off-shoot of the Adult Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation courses. The course is especially helpful for parents, s and child-care professionals and is approved by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

All of the above classes also are offered to groups or businesses and can be held at Overlook Hospital or local sites, depending on the needs of the group or business.

To register or for further information, please telephone 522-2365.

Vacation Schedules For Schools Told

Westfield Public Schools were closed for winter vacation yesterday, Wednesday, December 23, and will reopen next year on Monday, January 4, at the usual starting times.

The Board of Education/Administration Building at 302 Elm Street and the three secondary school offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, December 29 and 30.

All excellent things are as difficult as they are rare.

—Benedict Spinoza

Robert M. Bishop Helps Bulgarian Stock Exchange

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Bishop of Scotch Plains, formerly of Westfield, have returned from Sofia, Bulgaria, where Mr. Bishop served as a volunteer with the International Executive Service Corps.

Mr. Bishop, a retired Senior Vice President and Chief Regulator Officer from the New York Stock Exchange, was recruited by the executive corps to assist the First Bulgarian Stock Exchange, started in 1991, to establish a capital market, with reviewing and developing rules, processes and procedures for the operation of the next exchange. He recommended amendments and additions to existing ones as well as ad-

ditional ones that will become necessary as the exchange grows.

Mr. Bishop also conducted a training program for new brokers. The corps' Eastern European offices are helping companies their adjust to privatization, democratization and the establishment of free-market economies.

This was Mr. Bishop's eight project for the corps.

The corps is a not-for-profit organization of American business men and women devoted to providing managerial and technical assistance to private enterprises in developing countries.

'Y' Will Co-Sponsor Hypnosis Workshops

The Westfield "Y" in conjunction with the Hypnosis Counseling Center of Flemington will present a set of workshops on Thursday, January 7, for smoking cessation and weight loss.

Each workshop will last one-and-a-half hours and includes hypnosis exercises, discussion and an audio cassette which will remain the possession of the participant and assist in reinforcing immediate positive results and ensuring long-range success. The workshops can be taken individually or as a set.

The smoking-cessation workshop will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run to 8 p.m. and the weight-loss group will continue from 8 to 9:30 p.m.

Barry Wolfson, who holds a Master's Degree in Counseling and has several years of experience in

Necessity knows no law except to conquer.

—Publius

hypnosis, will lead each workshop. The cost per workshop is \$40.

Registration will begin immediately, and participants will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registration is in person at the Westfield "Y" at 220 Clark Street.

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Obituaries

Herbert R. Anderson, 89, Was Investment Executive

*President, Chairman of Life Insurance Company,
Elder of Presbyterian Church in Westfield*

Services for Herbert R. Anderson, 89, of North Palm Beach, Florida, formerly of Westfield, formerly an executive with investment and life insurance companies were held on Monday, December 21, in the Howard Funeral Home in North Palm Beach.

Mr. Anderson died Thursday, December 17, in the Palm Beach Gardens Hospital in North Palm Beach.

He began his career in the investments and insurance industries in the early 1930s.

Mr. Anderson had been the Chairman, President and Chief Executive of the United States Life Insurance Company in New York City, now known as Sentinel Funds Inc., before retiring many years ago.

Prior to that, he had worked for Group Securities in Jersey City, the Investment Company Institute of the Industry Association of Jersey City and the National Association of Securities Dealers of New York.

He also had been a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers' investment company committee.

Mr. Anderson had been an elder of the Presbyterian Church of Westfield, a member of the Lost Tree Club of North Palm Beach and also a mem-

ber of the Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield.

Born in Elizabeth, he had lived in Westfield before moving to Florida 23 years ago.

Surviving are a son, Robert D. Anderson; a daughter, Mrs. Jeanne A. Augustine; a sister, Mrs. Mildred A. Hooker, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

December 24, 1992

Douglas Danker, 68

Douglas L. Danker, 68 of Surf City, formerly of Westfield and Fanwood, died on Saturday, December 19, at his home.

Mr. Danker was born in Westfield and had lived in the town for 29 years before moving to Fanwood for 30 years and Surf City nine years ago.

He had been a self-employed tile contractor for 50 years, retiring in 1990.

Mr. Danker also had been an Army veteran of World War II. He had been a paratrooper and surgeon in New Guinea.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Marilyn Danker of Surf City, and his daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Zalinsky of Marlton.

Services were held on Tuesday, December 22, at Gray Funeral Home at 318 East Broad Street, Westfield.

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Mrs. W. H. Fredericks, 75, Owner of Sports Center

*Presbyterian Church Evangelical Committee Member
Was on Rutgers Cooperative Extension Council*

Mrs. William H. (Wanda A.) Fredericks, 75, of Scotch Plains, formerly of Westfield, died on Saturday, December 19, at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Jersey City, Mrs. Fredericks had lived in Westfield for 47 years before moving to Scotch Plains five years ago.

She had been the former owner of the Cranford Sports Center for more than 20 years, retiring in 1985.

Mrs. Fredericks had been a member of the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Council Westfield Branch. She had graduated from Woodbridge High School in 1934.

Mrs. Fredericks also had been a

member of the Presbyterian Church in Westfield, where she had been a part of the Evangelical Committee.

Her husband, William H. Fredericks, died in 1989.

Surviving are a son, William E. Fredericks of Scotch Plains; a daughter, Mrs. Eleanore Olesin of Manlius, New York; a sister, Mrs. Eleanore Cheres of Westfield, and three grandchildren.

Services were held on Tuesday, December 22, at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

The Gray Funeral Home at 318 East Broad Street, Westfield, handled arrangements.

December 24, 1992

Elwood F. Willis, 79, Was Broker-Real Estate Agent in Town

Elwood F. Willis, 79, of Scotch Plains, died Friday, December 18, at his home.

He was born in Brockton, Massachusetts and had lived in Florida and Jersey City before settling in Scotch Plains in 1950.

A broker-real estate agent, Mr. Willis had owned and operated the Willis Real Estate Co. in Westfield from 1950 to 1955.

He then had owned and operated the Park Avenue Deli in Plainfield and the Kosher Irishman Deli in East Orange.

Mr. Willis then had joined Local No. 464 of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters Union and had gone to work for various food chains.

He had retired in 1977 from Dembling's Market in Rahway after

working for a few years as a butcher.

Mr. Willis also had been a member of the Scotch Plains Catholic Golden Agers and the Right Reverend Monsignor Henry J. Watterson Council No. 1711 of the Knights of Columbus Council. He also had been a communicant of St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Scotch Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Stella Mitera Willis; two daughters, Mrs. Patricia DiFrancesco of Scotch Plains and Mrs. Judy A. McLoughlin of Fanwood, and four grandchildren.

Services were held on Tuesday, December 22, from the Rossi Funeral Home in Scotch Plains, followed by a Mass at St. Bartholomew.

December 24, 1992

Mrs. Daniel J. Reagan, 84, Was Organist at Two Churches

Mrs. Daniel J. (Edna McCoy) Reagan, 84, of Cranford, formerly of Westfield, an organist with two Roman Catholic churches, died on Monday, December 7, at John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison.

She was born in Conesee, New York and had lived in Westfield before moving to Cranford in 1959.

Mrs. Reagan had been the organist at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cranford for 25 years and at St. James Roman Catholic Church in Springfield for 10 years.

She also had been a Past Secretary of the Music Educators Association

of New Jersey.

Her husband is deceased.

Surviving are a son, Michael J. Reagan; two daughters, Mrs. H. Patricia Fiedler and Miss Noreen A. Reagan; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A funeral Mass was offered on Thursday, December 10, at St. Michael's Church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home at 218 North Avenue, Cranford.

December 24, 1992

Carl E. Corbett, 84, Had Worked for Foster Wheeler

A service in the memory of Carl E. Corbett, 84, of Westfield, who died on Saturday, December 19, in the Overlook Hospital in Summit, will be held on Sunday, January 3, in the Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church at Fifth Avenue and Chestnut Street, Roselle.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Gray Funeral Home at 318 East Broad Street, Westfield.

Mr. Corbett had worked for the

Foster Wheeler Corporation in Livingston for 35 years before retiring in 1973.

Born in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, he had moved to Westfield in 1938.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Jeanette Corbett; a nephew, Dr. J. Max Creswell of Roselle, and a niece, Mrs. Jan Hospador.

Donations in the memory of Mr. Corbett may be made to the Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad.

December 24, 1992

Edward H. Huey, 64, Was Retired Linden Science Teacher

Edward H. Huey, 64, of Tampa, Florida, a science teacher at Soehl Middle School in Linden until his retirement in 1988, died on Monday, December 7, at Humana Hospital-Brandon in Brandon, Florida.

He had lived in Westfield, Scotch Plains, and his native Roselle before moving in 1990 to Tampa, Florida.

Mr. Huey had earned Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Education

from Seton Hall University in South Orange.

He had served in the Army during the Korean War.

Surviving are a daughter, Miss Elizabeth Huey; a grandchild, and a brother, Chester Huey.

December 24, 1992

Mrs. Forrester, 83

Mrs. Helen B. Forrester, 83, of Highlands died on Thursday, December 17, in the Meridian Nursing Center in Westfield.

A Mass was offered on Saturday, December 19, in the Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church in Elizabeth, following the funeral from the Leonard Home for Funerals in Elizabeth.

Mrs. Forrester had been a bookkeeper with the Lenny Bell Meat Packing Company in Newark for 20 years before retiring in 1978.

Born in Elizabeth, she had lived in Highlands for 14 years.

Surviving are a son, George J. Forrester, Jr., three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

December 24, 1992

Mrs. McIntyre, 74, In Rosary Society

Mrs. Valentine McIntyre, 74, of Westfield died on Monday, December 21, in Overlook Hospital in Summit.

A Mass was offered on Wednesday, December 23, in Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Church in Union.

Mrs. McIntyre had been a member of the Rosary Society and the 60 Plus Club of Holy Spirit Church.

Born in Newark, she had lived in Union for more than 40 years before moving to Westfield six years ago.

Surviving are a son, Robert F. McIntyre, a daughter, Mrs. Maureen Wasik, and a grandchild.

December 24, 1992

police blotter..

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

Someone damaged two doors on a car belonging to a Fairfield Road resident in the Southside Westfield Railroad Station parking lot with a screw driver.

Assorted jewelry was stolen, a basement window was smashed and two bedrooms were ransacked in a Washington Street home.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Police stopped a car on Midvale Way and Summit Avenue because they suspected its driver had attempted to break into a Boulevard home. They later discovered a car belonging to the owner of the home had been scratched while it was parked in the driveway.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Vandals smashed out all the win-

dows in a car belonging to a Linden resident which was parked on Delaware Street.

Two wreaths reported stolen from a Central Avenue florist shop later were discovered on the front porch of a home on the avenue.

A snowman flag was reported missing from an Elm Street cheese shop.

Two juveniles reportedly tried to force a third juvenile to give them his football Giants windbreaker on North Chestnut Street.

A Scotch Plains motorist reported his car was broken into in the parking lot of the Northside Westfield Railroad Station, but nothing was stolen.



fire calls....

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

One hundred block of Bell Drive — telephone wire down.

Four hundred block of Prospect Street — water in basement.

Two hundred block of Hyslip Avenue — lock out.

Three hundred block of North Avenue — arcing light fixture.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Five hundred block of West Broad Street — low cable wire.

One hundred block of East Broad Street — alarm activation.

Four hundred block of Grove Street — unauthorized burning.

Wilson Elementary School — unintentional alarm.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Four hundred block of South Euclid

Avenue — oil burner malfunction.

Echo Lake Country Club — smoke scare.

Five hundred block of Hillcrest Avenue — trouble alarm activation.

One hundred block of East Grove Street — arcing power line.

Five hundred block of Coleman Place — smoke condition.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

Two hundred block of Orchard Street — noxious odor investigation.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

One hundred block of Mohawk Trail — kitchen fire.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

Six hundred block of Carlton Road — dumpster fire.

Funeral Trust Possible Under Social Security

An aged, blind or disabled person applying for financial assistance under the Supplemental Security Program or medical services under the Medicaid program now can set up an irrevocable pre-paid funeral trust before personal assets are exhausted.

Limited irrevocability is now permitted in New Jersey.

"Supplemental Security Program/Medicaid applicants have been allowed to pre-fund funerals and burials since 1982 when the Social Security Act was amended, but irrevocable funeral trusts only have been law in New Jersey since January," Wilson H. Beebe, Jr., the Executive Director of the New Jersey State Funeral Directors Association and the New Jersey Prepaid Funeral Trust Fund, said. "This may not seem like big news, but it is. The whole process for an applicant to the program to set up a pre-funded funeral has changed with the adoption of the irrevocable trust law."

Funeral trusts are simplified with irrevocability. Only one account is required, combining services, facilities and merchandise is one agreement. All money put in an irrevocable trust will not be considered an asset of an applicant. As a result, an irrevocable account cannot be accessed until the recipient dies. In fact, the funeral director must submit a certified death certificate in order to be reimbursed.

While assets are being "spent down," a term describing asset reduction for program eligibility, applicants are encouraged to meet with their local funeral director to set money aside for a funeral. The funeral

director then will guide family members through arrangements.

A biographical sketch will be completed, final wishes documented and the actual costs will be itemized on a form called a Statement of Funeral Goods and Services Selected. Once the actual cost is determined, the exact amount can be deposited into the New Jersey Prepaid Funeral Trust Fund for the sole purpose of paying for funeral-related expenses. Interest earned over time should offset the costs of inflation.

Compared to a standard savings account, a New Jersey Prepaid Funeral Trust Fund account receives a higher rate of return because thousands of accounts are pooled together. Consumers know their money is safe since each individual account is Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured. In addition to the original deposit, all interest earned also is considered an excludable asset for recipients. Therefore, interest accrued on an irrevocable funeral trust will not affect income levels, Mr. Beebe said.

"Without limitations and complicated paperwork, pre-arranging a funeral is made easier for those already facing financial difficulties and poor health," commented Mr. Beebe.

For further information on pre-funding funerals, please contact a funeral director or county Board of Social Services or the New Jersey State Funeral Directors Association in Manasquan at 974-9444 for a copy of their brochure, *SSI/Medicaid and Prepaying a Funeral*.

Gary T. Lucek, 31, Was Accountant for Hotels and Motels

Gary T. Lucek, 31, of San Diego, formerly of Westfield, died Saturday, December 19, in Guerneville, California.

Mr. Lucek was born in Woonsocket, Rhode Island and had lived in Westfield for 28 years before moving to

San Diego about 18 months ago.

He had been an accountant for Woodfin Suites, a hotel and motel chain in San Diego.

Previously, he had been employed by Citicorp in New York City for a year and prior to that he had been the Treasurer for the New York State Socialist Democratic Party in New York City.

He had received a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Columbia University in New York City in 1983.

He graduated in 1978 from Westfield High School, where he had been an honor student.

Mr. Lucek is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Lucek of Westfield, a brother, Francis A. Lucek of San Diego, and a sister, Mrs. Linda Swanket of Clark.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield today, Thursday, December 24, at 10 a.m.

Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery in Westfield.

Relatives and friends may visit at the Dooley Colonial Home at 556 Westfield Avenue, Westfield, today at 9 a.m.

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Influence on State:
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Boy Swimmers Stroke Way to Second Victory

By PETER CATANZARO
Specially Written for The Westfield Reader

The Men's of Westfield High School were victorious against Delbarton on Thursday. The final score of the meet was 117-53.

The competition began with a first place in the 200-yard Medley Relay from teammates Rob Schundler, Darren Hertell, Dan Zemsky and Louis Guzzetti.

Senior Tom Mann, at one minute and 58.13 seconds and freshman Frank Coppa, at two minutes and 1.57 seconds, then combined forces in the 200-yard freestyle to win first and second place with Coppa swimming to a personal best time. Following the 200-yard freestyle, Chris Manos, two minutes and 13.42 seconds, placed first in the 200-yard individual medley, with junior Brian Ramsthaler finishing less than five seconds behind to take second.

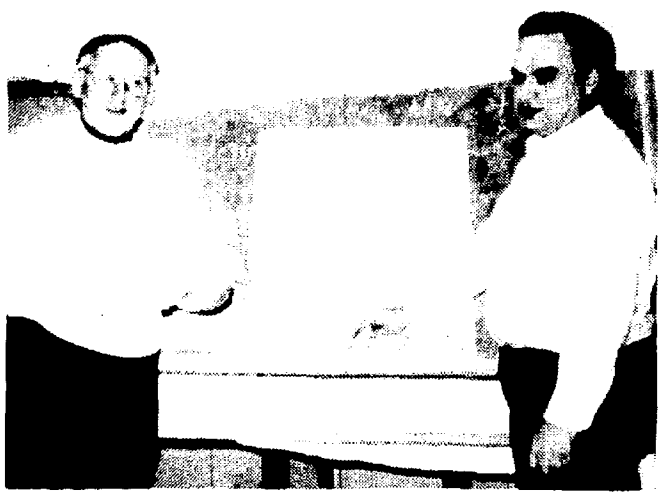
As the meet moved on, the crowd watched from the bleachers swimmer to a first-place finish and best time of one minute and 2.22 seconds in the 100-yard butterfly. After losing first place in a 50-

yard freestyle to a Delbarton sprinter, the squad realized they wouldn't just breeze through the meet.

On the heels of the butterfly, spectators witnessed one of the closest finishes of the meet. Senior Hertell, the individual state champion in the 100-yard backstroke, touched out Delbarton's top sprinter by a half a second in the 100-yard freestyle to finish at 50 seconds.

Once their victory in the 200-yard freestyle relay was behind them, the Blue Devils swept both the 100-yard backstroke and 100-yard breaststroke.

Brian Ramsthaler, in one minute and .76 seconds, Rusty Schundler in one minute and 1.3 seconds, and Lechner, in one minute and 6.05 seconds, teamed up in the backstroke, while Tim Smith, in one minute and 6.13 seconds, Andrew Hughes, in one minute and 8.42 seconds, and Jonathan Jones, in one minute and 12.67 seconds, combined forces in the breaststroke. Coach Chris McGiffin commented, "We saw very solid average performances today," but, "We still have a ways to go and lots of yardage to do."



THE WINNER IS... Gary Kehler, left, the Westfield High School Athletic Director, pulls the winning ticket while booster raffle Chairman Jerry's looks on.

Metuchen Man Wins Super Bowl Raffle

The Westfield School Boosters Association last week announced the winner of their Super Bowl XXVII raffle is Vidas Zramanaukas of Metuchen.

The drawing was held Thursday at the Westfield Convalescent Center in Westfield.

The winning ticket was drawn by Gary Kehler, the Athletic Director at Westfield High School.

Mr. Zramanaukas, who purchased

his ticket from booster Ken Marsh, will receive two tickets to Super Bowl XXVII in Pasadena on Sunday, January 31, with air transportation for two, roundtrip Newark to Los Angeles. Limousine service to and from Newark Airport and hotel accommodations for Thursday through Monday, January 28 to February 1. The proceeds from this annual raffle benefit the athletic programs at Westfield High School.

Devil Girl Cagers Lose Opener in Close Game

By TUCKER TRIMBLE
Specially Written for The Westfield Reader

On Saturday, the Westfield Blue Devil Girls Basketball Team traveled to Bridgewater-Raritan and suffered a defeat at the hands of the Panthers in a close game that ended 44-37.

Starters Erin Allebaugh, Abby Bomba, Taryn McKenna, Andrea Moore and Amy Gallagher played a zone defense in the first quarter and scored first.

Bridgewater answered, and after some back-and-forth play, the quarter ended with the Blue Devils trailing 8-4.

The second quarter saw some strong plays by Westfield, with Bomba dominating under the nets with her rebounds.

Allebaugh got into some foul difficulty on some questionable calls, but the team played strongly and ended the half with Bridgewater leading 20-17. Also seeing playing time were Julia Cerecice, Andrea Duchek, Christie McGovern, Shi-Kia Carter and Brooke Wiley.

During halftime the opposing coach must have lit a fire under his team because they came out running and quickly opened the score up to 28-18, and never looked back.

This half they were much more aggressive under the net and Westfield began a full-court press as they came down the floor. Towards the end of the quarter Wiley sparked the Blue Devils with a breakaway basket and the team went into the last quarter behind by only nine points.

Westfield met defeat in the fourth quarter as Bridgewater's quick breakaways and pinpoint passes widened the point spread.

Scorers for Westfield were Bomba

Results of Sports

In Town Schools

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Ninth Grade

Friday, December 18 — Westfield, 63; Summit 40

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Varsity

Saturday, December 19 — Bridgewater, 44; Westfield, 37

BOYS' SWIMMING

Thursday, December 17 — Westfield, 117; Delbarton, 53

WRESTLING

Varsity

Thursday, December 17 — Westfield, 45; East Side, 21

Indoor Sports Now Underway For Youth

The Westfield Recreation Commission's indoor lacrosse, soccer and volleyball programs now are underway for the youth of the community and registration space still is available.

Indoor lacrosse meets every Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the high school varsity gymnasium and is open to youths in seventh grade and up. The cost is \$25 per person.

Indoor soccer is held on Thursdays from 7:30 to 10 p.m. also in the high school varsity gymnasium and is open to ninth- through 12-grade students. The fee is \$25 per participant.

The co-educational volleyball program is held on Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. for sixth- through eighth-grade students of Westfield. The Volleyball program takes place at the Edison Intermediate School Gymnasium and the cost is \$15 per person.

For information on any of these programs or to register, please telephone 789-4080 or stop by the Recreation Department.

SPORTS

Boy Harriers Capture Third in Relay Event

By ADAM BARCAN
Specially Written for The Westfield Reader

Receiving strong performances from its running core, the Westfield Boys' Track and Field Team took third place with 10 points in Saturday's East Brunswick Winter Relays.

Placing strongly in the 16-team field, the squad scored in four relays to finish in an overall tie with Metuchen and Woodbridge.

The senior sprint quartet of Ken Silverman, Chris Blanding, Richon Williams and Jamal Hester propelled both the 4-by-200-meter and 4-by-400-meter relays to third-place finishes.

Their respective times of one minute and 35.1 seconds and three minutes and 35.2 seconds put them close behind dual winner Piscataway.

In the 4-by-200-meters, Silverman opened in 24.1 seconds, while Blanding followed with a sizzling 23.4-second leg. Williams turned in a 23.6-second split, as did anchor leg Hester.

With the crew running in the same order for the 4-by-400-meters, Hester and Blanding led the way with respective splits of 52.8 seconds and 52.9 seconds. These strong performances must be repeated to overcome sprint-heavy Eliza-

beth later in the season.

The distance crews followed suit with fourth-place finishes in the 4-by-800-meters and distance medley, running times of eight minutes and 56.7 seconds and 11 minutes and 48.2 seconds.

For the 4-by-800-meters, freshman Lawrence Ho led off with a two minute and 11.9 second leg. Junior Jim Nicoll and sophomores John O'Brien and Ted Kilcommons turned in respective times of two minutes and 9.2 seconds, two minutes and 16.3 seconds, and two minutes and 19 seconds.

Nicoll returned to run the opening 800-meter split of the distance medley, a relay with respective runs of 800 meters, 400 meters, 1,200 meters and 1,600 meters. After finishing in two minutes and 12.6 seconds, he handed off to sophomore Marcus Cognetti who clocked a 56.3 second time. Junior Geoff North and senior Matt Gorbaty followed in three minutes and 44.3 seconds and four minutes and 55.4 seconds.

Coach Jack Martin was pleased with the season-opening efforts.

"With just a few changes," he said, "we should be set for the January 9 Union County Relays."



TROPHY TAKERS... The Westfield Hawks recently captured the Girls In-Town Division No. 4 soccer championship. Team members, shown, left to right, are: Kneeling, Chrissie Thompson, K. C. Anthony, Lauren Todaro, Laura Krasnor, Liz McKeon and Natalie Warren; second row, Amanda O'Neill, Alan Passananti, Kelsey Ill, Chris Gambino, Lisa Goodman, Pearl Shayekevich, Sara Beth Euwer, Nicole Seib and Ashley Szezyler; third row, Coach Jack O'Neill. Not shown are: Nicole Panza, Rebecca Kalisher and Assistant Coach Jim McKeon.

Wrestlers Pass On Tradition of Brotherhood

By ADAM WEINSTEIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Reader

Winning teams and champion wrestlers are a tradition at Westfield High School. Year after year, the mantle of victory is passed on from class to class, often from brother to brother.

The history of success continues. On Saturday, the Posey brothers, Chris and Corey, both won championships in leading the Blue Devils to a second-place finish at the Walkill Valley Tournament in Hamburg.

Chris, a senior, won the 135-pound championship and was honored as the tournament's outstanding wrestler. He was a district champion last year, when illness kept him from vying for the state crown.

Corey, a freshman, capped off an outstanding varsity debut by gaining the 140-pound title.

Both brothers overcame challengers from Kittatiny High School in Newton, which nevertheless gained the title in the eight-team field by a nine-point margin over the Devils.

Two other Blue Devil grapplers were finalists. Paul Baly lost a narrow decision

at 171 pounds, Brian Buldo, a district champion last year, was the runnerup in the 119-pound class.

Seth Coren, whose older brother, Scott, also wrestled for Westfield, reached the semifinals in the heavyweight competition. Others reaching the final four in their respective classes were James Hogaboom, Tom Whelan and Lance Kovac.

Team depth is another reason for Westfield's traditional success.

The Devils opened their season at home on Friday by defeating Newark East Side High School 45-21.

Westfield used only six of its regular grapplers, relying heavily on reinforcements from the junior varsity. Regulars Jeff Checchio, Paul Hayes, Hogaboom and Whelan each pinned his opponent. Jim Flood, a member of the junior varsity, also was victorious. Other Devil grapplers were awarded victory by forfeit over the undetermined Newkirkers.

The Blue Devils faced Summit High School in another home contest.

They will host their own vacation tournament on Wednesday, December 30.

Girl Harriers Capture Fifth in East Brunswick

By STEPHANIE SNITOW
Specially Written for The Westfield Reader

In their first meet of the season, the Westfield Girls' Winter Track Team captured fifth place overall with three second and one fourth-place finish at the East Brunswick Relays on Saturday.

"This was a good beginning and showed potential for the rest of the season," Head Coach John Martin said.

The girls' team completed in five running relays and the shot put event.

Sophomore Ahisha Winkler ran the first leg of the 4-by-200-meter relay in 28.8 seconds. Senior Heather Pusich completed the second leg in 29.1 seconds, securing the second-place spot in the race.

First-time runner, freshman Erin Brown, ended the third leg in 29.5 seconds, and Tiffany Hester anchored the race with a time of 28.9 seconds. The team crossed the finish line at one minute and 57.2 seconds, a solid second place.

Coming off a strong cross-country season, freshman Sharon Gambino led off the 4-by-800-meter race with a two-minute and 41.5 second half mile.

Senior Kelly Gandy, a cross-country and winter-track veteran, sailed to a two-minute and 35.3 second finish. Third leg sophomore Catherine Engell handed off the baton after a two-minute and 47.5 second half mile.

Racing from behind, senior anchor Anne Engell cruised to a two-minute and 36 second finish, pulling the team up to

second place.

The distance medley relay team captured a silver medal as well. Gambino ran the 800-meter leg in two minutes and 40.1 seconds, followed by Hester, who completed a 71.7 second 400 meters.

In the 1,000-meter leg, Anne Engell gained a lead with a time of four minutes and 18.2 seconds, and senior Katie Robinson crossed the finish line in second place with a five-minute and 57.3 second mile.

The sprint medley relay team added to the team's victories, capturing fourth place. Freshmen Anisa Dujinic and Holly Talbot ran the 200-meter first and second legs. Freshman Laura Faulkner and sophomore Joanna Villanueva completed the 400-meter and 800-meter legs, respectively, bringing the team to a five-minute and 21 second finish.

The 4-by-400-meter relay team came in sixth, with members Winkler, Pusich, Brown and Hester all running their second or third race of the day.

First-team shot putters Rebecca Stavenik and Janna Chemetz threw competitively, with a combined distance of 42 feet and one inch.

With an overall fifth-place position out of 20 teams, veteran track member Pusich commented, "This meet definitely was a good start for our track season. I was impressed with the speed and ability of our underclassmen and I'm looking forward to a successful season."

Winter Sports Teams Elect Their Captains

The Westfield High School 1992-1993 winter athletic teams have elected the following captains:

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Rob Moore, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore of 731 Handford Place, Michael and Matthew Comandini, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Comandini of 161 Lincoln Road.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Erin Allebaugh, the daughter of Mr.

Ski Trip Schedule Begins January 3

The Westfield Recreation Commission has established its schedule of winter ski trips for the community.

The first trip is set for Sunday, January 3, to Camelback Ski Area in Tannersville, Pennsylvania. The cost is \$41 per person which includes transportation and lift ticket.

Rentals and lessons also are available at an additional cost. The bus will depart from the Municipal Building parking lot at 6:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. Early registration is recommended because space is limited.

Future trips are as follows:
Sunday, January 17, Vernon Valley/Grand Gorge

Sunday, January 31, Montage Ski Area

Sunday, February 20, Camelback Ski Area

Each trip costs \$41 per person.

Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult, 18 years or older.

For additional information, please telephone the Recreation Department at 789-4080.

and Mrs. Thomas Allebaugh of 969 Cherokee Court.

Julia Cerecice, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Cerecice of 1604 Grandview Avenue.

Amy Gallagher, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gallagher of 540 Elm Street.

WRESTLING

Seth Coren, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Coren of 20 Manchester Drive.

Chris Posey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Posey of 139 Marlon Avenue

BOWLING

Michael Pass, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pass of 368 Orinda Circle.

BOYS' SWIMMING

Peter Catanzaro, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Catanzaro of 129 Linden Avenue.

Joel Pargot, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pargot of 629 Drake Place.

GIRLS' SWIMMING

Susan Roddhan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roddhan of 405 Bl. Mark's Avenue.

Wendy Jebens, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jebens of 93 Briarcliff Way.

CHEERLEADING

Basketball and Wrestling Captain Dominique Picou, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Picou of 815 Highland Avenue.

Basketball Co-Captain Michelle Katz, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Katz of 749 Hyatt Avenue.

Wrestling Co-Captain Kate Fralbie, the daughter of Mrs. Patricia Black of 60 Bantam Circle.

More Sports
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Recreation Commission Offers Discount Skiing

The Westfield Recreation Commission has announced it will offer discounted ski tickets to residents of Westfield to the following locations:

Location	Weekdays	Weekend/holidays
Jack Frost/Big Boulder, Blakeslee, Pennsylvania	\$27	\$36
Most weekdays	35	25
Most Saturdays	35	29
Shawnee Mountain, Shawnee on Delaware, Pennsylvania	30	19
Weekdays	35	29
Weekend/holidays		
Vernon Valley/Great Gorge, McAfee, New Jersey		

Location	Weekdays	Weekend/holidays
Blue Mountain, Palmerton, Pennsylvania	\$27	\$36
Midweek/twilight	33	26
Weekend/holidays		
Montage Ski Area, Scranton, Pennsylvania	26	20
Midweek	33	26
Weekend		
Hidden Valley, Vernon, New Jersey	30	17
Midweek	35	30
Weekend		

To purchase tickets or for additional information, please contact the Recreation Department at 425 East Broad Street or telephone 789-4080.



GRID GREAT...Seth Coren, star football guard of the 1992 Westfield High School football team, was awarded the Ray Bailey Memorial Trophy. It was presented by Albert Moeller, Past Commander and member of the Martin Wallberg Post No. 3 of the American Legion, at the recent Westfield High School football banquet held at the school cafeteria. The Bailey Award is made annually to a member of the Westfield High School football team who is a senior, a football letterman and holds the highest scholastic average. The award is in memory of Ray Bailey who was a baseball and basketball star at Westfield High School. He was a member of the Westfield American Legion team who died shortly after the baseball season in 1959.

Eleven More Athletes Earn Post-Season Laurels

Eleven town athletes were chosen for more post-season honors as the laurels continued to roll in this week for Westfield High School members of sports teams.

Chosen for the All-Group No. 4 Football Team on Second Team Offense was Seth Coren, while Ron Mammiano was selected for Third Team Offense.

In boys' soccer, Keith Zadourian was chosen both for the Third Team All-State and First Team Group No. 4, while Mike Cort was selected for Third Team Group No. 4.

Erin Allebaugh was tapped for the All-Union County First Team in field hockey, for the All-State Third Team and for the All-Group No. 4 First Team.

Also selected for the All-County First Team were Diana Daniel, who also made All-Group No. 4 Second Team, and Jen Schwarzenbek, who also was tapped for All-Group No. 4 Third Team along with Megan O'Brien.

O'Brien was named to the All-County Third Team with Alison Konet, while Catie Robinson and Bridget Keegan were selected to the All-County Second Team.

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Ashbrook Gives Awards At Luncheon

The Ashbrook Women's Golf Association of Scotch Plains recently held its awards luncheon for 1992. Those receiving prizes were as follows:

Eighteen Hole Club Champion — Anna Chung, and runner-up, Jayne Deo.

A Flight Champion, Joyce A. Bukowiec, and runner-up, Billie Warrington.

B Flight Champion, Ethel Zienowicz, Nine Hole Club Champion, Marilyn Anderson and runner-up, Janice Lawler.

A Flight Champion, Pat Dowd and runner-up, Fran Stefluk.

B Flight Champion, Jean Hopke and runner-up, Yvonne Kaye.

Eighteen Hole President's Club Winner, Audrey Young, runner-up Nancy Wolcott, and medalist, Nancy Wolcott, 86.

Nine Hole Vice President's Cup Winner, Marilyn Anderson, runner-up, Joan Smith, and medalist, Anderson, 49.

Sally Gresham Day Winners, Natalie Pines and Billie Warrington, 18, and Marilyn Anderson and Elena Kastell, 9.

Member/Member Winners, Kay Fordham, Barbara Was and Ginny Sandhu.

Most Improved Golfer, Nancy Wolcott, 18, and Margaret Hickey, nine.

Ringers — 18

A Flight, Wolcott, 65.

B Flight, Joyce Dillmeier, 76.

C Flight, Barbara Jacob, 84.

Nine

A Flight, Anderson, 35.

B Flight, Stefuk, 45.

C Flight, Brandt, 49.

Bull's Eye Awards — 18

A Flight, Anna Chung, 80.

Mary Anderson, 80.

Carol Madela, 80.

B Flight, Rhoda Faughnan, 88.

C Flight, Eleanor Mulholland, 96.

Nine

A Flight, Anderson.

B Flight, Jane Brower.

C Flight, Kastell.

First Time Ever (18) Broke:

Ninety — Rhoda Faughnan, Junita Trubilla, Pat Bolla, Vivian Sanders and Ethel Zienowicz.

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WAGS, Women's Ashbrook Golfing Seniors, winner, Estelle Hiller, and runner-up, Maura Guilfoyle.

Westfield 'Y' Opens Two Strength Centers

Just in time for New Year's resolutions, new cardiovascular center and expansion of the existing strength training center at the Westfield "Y" have opened.

With a full set of 15 cardiovascular machines including treadmills, StairMasters, Liferowers and Recumbent Lifecycles, the cardiovascular center can provide a workout suitable to all levels and needs of participants.

Almost doubling its capacity, the expanded strength training center has added 14 new strength machines to the existing Nautilus circuit bringing the total to 26 strength-training machines.

Providing a full complement of lower and upper body workouts, the new equipment will include a seated leg press, seated calf, lower back, chest press, incline press, seated row, seated dip, bicep curl, seated leg curl, rotary torso, cable cross-over, multi hip, standing leg curl, lat pulldown and abdominal crunch.

According to Mike Johnson, the Nautilus Director, "The purpose of the expanded exercise areas is to increase both the value and variety for all members. While we do expect a large influx of new members, everyone will get an equal opportunity to use all the new equipment."

Dave Schwartz Wins Medal at Swim Open

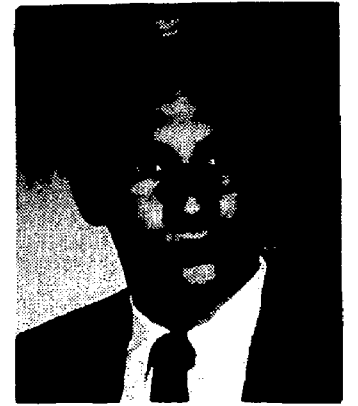
Westfield High School swimmer Dave Schwartz swam at the United States Open swim meet in Orlando, Florida, December 4 to 6. The open hosts international as well as United States swimmers at this meet.

Swimming in the 200-meter breaststroke event, Schwartz placed third in the finals in a field that included Olympic swimmers, college swimmers and other champions.

His time of two minutes and 17.09 seconds was his best meter time ever, and his time ranks him about 30th in the world and about 16th in the United States.

Schwartz swam well enough to final in the 100-meter breaststroke event and placed fourth with a lifetime best of one minute and 4.1 seconds. This event was televised last Saturday on TBS.

Five days after the open meet, Dave was swimming at the Princeton pool. He placed first in the 200-yard breaststroke with a best yard time of two minutes and 2.22 seconds and placed first in the 100-yard breast-



Dave Schwartz

stroke in his best yard time of 56.8 seconds.

Schwartz is coached by Frank McElroy of the New Jersey Wave Swim Team in Bergen County.

His high school coach is Chris McGiffen.

Zoning Board Turns Down Application for Garage

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models. Currently, two cars are in an attached garage while two are kept on the side of the home.

With the four cars, "You are taking advantage of the neighbors," said Vice Chairman James J. Kefalonitis.

He questioned if a single-bay garage on the side of the house would be sufficient.

"It would look a lot nicer if the garage had both cars in it. It would be a nuisance still having one of his cars stay outside at night. It would defeat the security concerns of this application by having one of these cars out," Mr. Ventura replied.

Mrs. Herberich said she was concerned a future owner of the home would convert the side garage into a family room.

In other business, the board granted permission for the Dooley Colonial Funeral Home at 556 Westfield Avenue to construct a handicapped-access ramp as required by the American Disabilities Act.

The board also gave its approval to construct a sign of 14 square feet, four feet over what is allowed in the ordinance. The current sign is free standing but is in the way of the proposed ramp and would have to be moved.

The board granted permission to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sadick to construct an addition onto their home at 539 Lenox Avenue. The addition has building capacity of 21.7 per cent.

Samuel Woodward and Brenda Drake's application to construct a second bay on a small one-car garage at their home at 465 Topping Hill Road was approved. The plans also call for construction of a second-story bedroom over an existing sun room.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Todaro of 758 Knollwood Terrace were before the board to get their application for construction of a porch granted. The board tabled the motion until next month.

The Todaros wanted to enclose an existing side porch. However, the new construction would cause the

porch to extend an additional two-and-a-half feet closer to their neighbors' home.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Eaton of 762 Knollwood Terrace said they were not against enclosing the porch but did not approve of extending the width.

"Houses, on the street, are relatively close right now. An additional two-and-a-half feet is just going to make the situation worse," said Mr. Eaton, adding the ordinance has a 15-foot requirement for space on the side of homes in the area and the Todaros would be under that requirement.

Mrs. Todaro said her builder had told her the additional width was necessary in order to fit the couple's furniture into the room. The room would be used for a combination kitchen and family room.

Mr. and Mrs. David Larson were before the board seeking permission to replace a side porch with an enclosed family room. The plan would have the house setback just 28 feet from the street. The town requires 40 feet.

Mrs. Herberich said the home has a deck that was added which used up most of the available space.

The board told the Larsons they need to cut 30 feet in height from the proposed addition. They will return in January.

The board also tabled a motion by Mr. and Mrs. Brian Granstrand to build an addition onto the rear of their house at 923 Columbus Avenue.

The addition includes a bathroom and an expanded kitchen and family room.

The board said the addition would far exceed the allowed 20 per cent maximum building coverage.

Mrs. Granstrand said she would be comfortable with just the bathroom and more kitchen space.

The couple was asked to revise their plans and come back with a plan that conforms to the 20 per cent allowance.

No Recycling Pickup For the Holidays

The Union County Utilities Authority has announced there will be no curbside pickup of recyclables on the Southside of Westfield tomorrow due to the Christmas holiday.

Residents on the Southside should hold their recyclables until the next scheduled pickup on Friday, January 8.

Beginning January 1, the authority's regional recycling program will collect newspapers, glass bottles and jars, aluminum and tin cans, plastic bottles, household corrugated and mixed paper at curbside every other week, except for holidays.

Recyclables should be placed at the curb no later than 7:30 a.m.

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Mr. O'Donnell Named To Amboy Bank Board

Robert O'Donnell of Westfield has been appointed to the Amboy National Bank Board of Directors. Mr. O'Donnell currently is the bank's Senior Vice President for Lending.

His responsibilities include management of the Commercial, Installment and Mortgage Loan Department



PROMOTED... Westfield native, Mrs. Dianne Taylor Whittaker, has been promoted to a Vice President in the Human Resources Division of PNC National Bank. She manages human resources for the bank as well as Provident Financial Processing Corporation and Provident Institutional Management Corporation. Mrs. Whittaker joined the bank in 1987. She holds a Bachelor's Degree from Beaver College in Glenside, Pennsylvania, and is currently working toward a Master's of Human Resource Management Degree at Widener University in Chester, Pennsylvania. She and her husband reside in Wilmington, Delaware.

including construction lending, overseeing the bank's entire loan portfolio and supervising other loan officers and the Collection Department.

As Senior Vice President, Mr. O'Donnell helped establish the bank's loan portfolio strategy in conjunction with the Chief Executive Officer and the Director's Loan and Investment Committee.

Along with the Chief Executive Officer, he negotiated the sale of over \$100 million worth of mortgages.

Mr. O'Donnell also helped develop a plan that increased the Home Equity Loan portfolio from \$50 million to \$150 million.

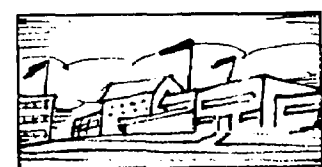
He previously had served as the Senior Vice President of Lending for Peoples Bank in Fairfield.

Prior to that he was the Chief Financial officer for Bangor Theological Seminary.

Mr. O'Donnell has a Master's in Science in Business Administration from Husson College in Bangor, Maine, and is a graduate of the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.

He served in the Army National Guard as a First Lieutenant.

Mr. O'Donnell resides with his wife, Mrs. Donna O'Donnell and their sons, Rogan and Brendan O'Donnell.



The first municipal university in the United States was the University of Cincinnati in Ohio.



FOR SERVICE RENDERED... A Meritorious Service Award and pin was presented to Albert J. Moeller by the National Commander of the American Legion, Roger A. Munson, recently in Indianapolis. Mr. Moeller is a member and Past Commander of the Martin Wallberg Post No. 3 of Westfield. The award was in recognition of his dedication and compassion for the families of American servicemen interred in the Rhone Military Cemetery in Dranguignan, France. Memorial Day 1993 will mark the 25th anniversary of his sending over to France next of kin of the servicemen buried in Dranguignan. All expenses for the two-week visit are paid by the French Society, Souvenir-Franco-American of Dranguignan. Mr. Moeller locates the families to be sent over.

Westfield Imaging Center Receives Accreditation

The mammography facility at Westfield Imaging Center has been accredited by the American College of Radiology.

The facility has met the necessary requirements, which include a peer-review evaluation of the facility's staff qualifications, equipment, quality control and quality-assurance programs, image quality and breast dose. The accreditation must be renewed every three years.

The American College of Radiology, the American Cancer Society,

the American Medical Association and nine other major medical organizations support the following guidelines for women with out symptoms:

- It is recommended the screening process begin by age 40 and consist of an annual clinical examination with screening mammography performed at one-to-two-year intervals.

- Beginning at age 50, both clinical examination and mammography should be performed on an annual basis.

Honor Fraternity Taps Town's Lilisa Williams

Lilisa Williams of Westfield, a student at Union County College in Cranford, has been elected the Middle State Regional President of Phi Theta Kappa, a national honor fraternity for two-year colleges.

Lilisa, who has been a member of the fraternity's Iota Xi Chapter at the college for the past two years, will lead 80 chapters representing two-year colleges in New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

The fraternity has 1,000 chapters nationwide, with some 50,000 members.

The election was conducted at the fraternity's regional convention in Ocean City, Maryland.

The Iota Xi Chapter received honorable mention for registering 917 persons during a two-week drive to sign up voters for the Tuesday, November 3, Presidential General Election. Its adviser, Professor Helene Roholt-Moen of Westfield, also earned honorable mention for her outstanding contributions on the chapter level.

Lilisa maintains a perfect grade-point average as a business public administration major at the college. She is a full-time student and also works full-time as a legal secretary for Marvin T. Braker, a Hillside attorney.



SHARING CULTURE... Jefferson School fourth graders recently shared ethnic foods representing their family traditions and cultural heritage. All students have been doing research on their ancestral countries as part of a year-long project, "Looking at what Columbus started." Students shown, left to right, are: Bethany Dresely, Elizabeth Ottoson, Christian Santamuro, Danielle Schlar and Karen Brown. Also participating were: Megan Rodd, Kerrie Anness, Michael Pollack and his mother and Craig Woehr and his father.

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-Religious Services-

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233-0301

Today, 8 a.m., "What Presbyterians Believe" with the Reverend James Szyller; 9:30 a.m., Prayer Group; Christmas Eve Worship Services: 5 o'clock, Family Worship Service with music by the Children's Choir and actors in *Twelve the Night Before*; 8 and 11 p.m., Candlelight Communion Services with Dr. Forbes preaching. The Chancel Choir will sing at the 8 o'clock service and the Chancel Handbell Choir and Noel Choir will provide musical leadership at 11 o'clock.

Sunday, December 27, 8 and 10:30 a.m., Worship Services with Mrs. Helen M. Beglin, the Director of Christian Education, preaching; 9:15 a.m., Adult Education, preaching; 9:15 a.m., Adult Education classes, Confirmation Class and Sunday School; and 10:30 a.m., Church School for those in cribbery through third grade.

December 28, 9 a.m., Monday Craftsman.

Wednesday, December 30, 9:30 a.m., Structure Task Force Committee, and 1 p.m., Staff Meeting.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1 East Broad Street, Westfield
The Reverend David F. Harwood, Senior Pastor
The Reverend Philip R. Dieterich, Minister of Music
Mrs. Norma M. Mockenjos, Diaconal Minister
Dr. Roger W. Plantikow, Associate Minister of Parish Nurture and Pastoral Care
233-4211

There will be no Church School this Sunday. Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Room, an informal gathering of the community and visitors, will begin at 10:15 a.m. Morning Worship will be at 10:45 o'clock with Child Care. This Sunday, the first Sunday after Christmas, there will be a Special Family Christmas Service. The congregation will make a "Journey of Christian Hope."

Tuesday, Rite and Drum, 7 p.m.
Friday, New Year's Day, Church Office and Wesley Hall Nursery School closed.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
414 East Broad Street, Westfield
The Reverend Alexander Seabrook, Interim Rector
The Reverend Lois J. Meyer, Associate Rector
The Reverend Hugh Livengood, Associate Rector Emeritus
Charles M. Banks, Minister of Music
232-8506

Today, Christmas Eve, 4 p.m., Children's Pageant and Eucharist, and 9 and 11:30 p.m., Festal Eucharists with special music and carols a half hour before the service.

Tomorrow, Christmas Day, 9:30 p.m., Holy Eucharist.

Sunday, December 27, Christmas I, 7:45 a.m., Holy Eucharist, no Adult Forum or Confirmation, and 10 o'clock, Morning Prayer.

Tuesday, December 29, No choir rehearsals.

Wednesday, December 30, Christmas Holy Days, combined; 7 and 9:30 a.m., Holy Eucharist, and no Bible Study.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
125 Elmer Street, Westfield
The Reverend Dr. John C. Wightman, Pastor
The Reverend Marc J. Trister, Associate Pastor
233-2494

Today, 5 p.m., spontaneous re-enactment of the Christmas story during a service designed for families with very young children; 7 p.m., Worship Service featuring pageant prepared by Church School students; 11 p.m., traditional Candlelight Service of lessons, carols and music.

Sunday, December 27, 10 a.m., Worship Service and One-Room Schoolhouse; and 11:15 a.m., Coffee Hour in Patton Auditorium.

Tuesday, December 29, 8 p.m., Alanon and Alateen in Ketchikan Hall and Classrooms.

Wednesday, December 30, 8 p.m., Alanon in Coe Fellowship Hall.

Kindermusik classes meet during the school year on the second floor of McCurson at 9:30 a.m. and 1:15 and 3:45 p.m., Tuesdays through Fridays.

The sanctuary is handicapped accessible.

GRACE ORTHODOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1100 Boulevard, Westfield
The Reverend Stanford M. Sutton, Jr., Pastor
233-3938 or 232-4403

Sunday, 9:15 a.m., Sunday School with classes for 3-year-olds through adults; 11 o'clock, Morning Worship, Nursery provided; Nell Williams, a doctoral candidate at Westminster Theological Seminary, to preach of "No Greater Love"; 3 p.m., Service at Meridian Convalescent Center, and 6 o'clock, Evening Worship with the Reverend Toto Baran preaching.

Tuesday, 7 p.m., Youth Group at the church.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Bible Study, Prayer and Sharing Time at the church with Reverend Sutton leading a study of the *Book of Hosea*.

Friday, 7 p.m., Bible Study at Manor Care Nursing Home.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY
Westfield Avenue and First Street
The Right Reverend Monsignor Francis J. Houghton, Pastor
Rectory: 232-8137

Saturday Evening Masses: 5:30 and 7 o'clock
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m. and noon

Italian Masses: 11 a.m.
Daily Masses: 7 and 9 a.m.
Novena and Mass: Monday, 7:30 p.m.

ST. HELEN'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
Lamberts Mill Road and Rahway Avenue
Westfield

The Right Reverend Monsignor James A. Burke, Pastor
The Right Reverend Monsignor Thomas B. Meaney, Pastor Emeritus
232-1214

Saturday evening Mass, 5:30
Sunday Masses, 8, 9:15 and 10:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
Daily masses, 7:30 and 9 a.m.

THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
170 Elm Street
Dr. Robert L. Harvey, Minister
Dr. Dee Dee Turlington, Minister of Christian Education and Evangelism
William R. Mathews, Minister of Music
233-2278

Today, 4 p.m., Children's Service, and 7:30 p.m., Traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service.

Sunday, 9 o'clock, Singles Continental Breakfast and Discussion Group; Church School classes for all ages and Adult Bible Study, and 10:30 a.m., Dr. Harvey to preach on "Developing Spiritual Roots."

Monday, 12:15 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous meeting.

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CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH
108 Eastman Street, Cranford
The Reverend C. Paul Strockbine, Pastor
The Reverend Christine Regan, Assistant Pastor
276-2418

The Reverend Regan will preach on the festival of St. John, the Apostle and Evangelist at 8:30 and 11 a.m. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be offered at the late service. Adult Forum and Sunday Church School will be held from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Child Care will be available for children 5 years of age and under during the late service in the Education Building.

Monday, 7:30 p.m., Outreach.

WOODSIDE CHAPEL
5 Morse Avenue
Fairwood
232-1525

Sunday, December 27, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Robert Dadd will speak. Sunday School for those aged 2 through those in high school, and Nursery provided for younger children.

Wednesday, December 30, 7:30 p.m., Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.

Thursday, December 31, 9 p.m., New Year's Eve Service.

For information on Junior and Senior High and Young Adults activities, please call 889-2375.



SAVIOR'S BIRTH...The Holy Family, portrayed by Mr. and Mrs. William Weiner and their daughter, Elizabeth Weiner, were serenaded by three youth and the Reverend Philip R. Dieterich, the Minister of Music at First United Methodist Church of Westfield, at the beginning of last year's Christmas Eve service. This year the "pageant without tears" will be held on Christmas Eve, today, at 5 p.m. The church is at 1 East Broad Street.

First Methodists Announce Christmas Service

The First United Methodist Church of Westfield has announced the following Christmas services:

Christmas Eve, today, 5 p.m. — Children's Christmas Pageant — Mrs. Denise Gordon-Miller and John Miller will portray the Holy Family along with their infant daughter.

Christmas Eve, 8 p.m. — Candlelight Communion Service — Luminaria welcome visitors to this service of carols and communion. The Youth Choir will be singing at this service, and the Youth Handbell Choir in addition to the Lafayette Trio playing the prelude at 7:40 o'clock.

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Today, noon, All Anon; 7:30 p.m., Choral Eucharist; and 10:30 p.m., Sung Eucharist.

Tomorrow, 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist; Sunday, December 27, 8 a.m., Holy Eucharist; 9 a.m., Children's Choir, and 10 a.m., Holy Eucharist and Church School.

Monday, December 28, 9 a.m., Feast of St. John, and 12:30 p.m., Over-Eaters Anonymous.

Tuesday, December 29, 7:30 p.m., Co-Dependents Anonymous, and 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous.

Wednesday, December 30, 9 a.m., Holy Eucharist.

ECHO LAKE CHURCH OF CHRIST
East Broad Street at Springfield Avenue
Westfield
Jerry L. Daniel, Minister
233-4946

Today, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday until 8 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ST. LUKE'S AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL ZION CHURCH
500 Downer Street, Westfield
The Reverend Theodore Calhoun, Sr., Pastor
The Reverend Ada L. Wise, Associate Minister
The Reverend William Gray, Associate Minister
233-2547

Sunday Services
Church School, 9:30 a.m.
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Wednesday Service
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Calvary Lutheran Tells Christmas Service

Calvary Lutheran Church at 108 Eastman Street, Cranford, will hold services on Christmas Eve, today, and Christmas Day, tomorrow, designed for all ages.

Three services will be held on this evening. A children's Christmas Eve service will be held at 5 o'clock. Designed for young children and their parents, this service will include simple carols, the reading of the Christmas story and the placing of the nativity figures by some of the children.

Candlelight Services of Holy Communion will be held at 7:30 and 11 o'clock, with both services preceded by seasonal music.

At 7:15 o'clock music selections will include the Calvary Ringers Handbell Choir performing a Christmas medley by Douglas Wagner and the combined children's Alleluia and Junior Choirs presenting *Carol of the Children* by Thomas Mitchell.

The children's choirs and the Handbell Choir will continue providing seasonal music at the 7:30 o'clock service. At this service the Reverend Christine Regan, Calvary's Assistant Pastor, will preach.

Beginning at 10:30 o'clock, a half-hour of seasonal music presented by the Calvary Choir will precede the 11 o'clock service. Also providing music for this service will be the 5x5 Handbell Choir, flutist, Mrs. Jennifer Wollenberg of Clark and harpist, Mrs. Heather Stark of Westfield.

The Reverend C. Paul Strockbine, Calvary's Senior Pastor, will preach. A Festival Service of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Christmas Day at 11 a.m. The Reverend Strockbine will preach.

All music will be under the direction of John Pivarnik, Calvary's Music Director.

The public may attend all services. Calvary Lutheran Church is a member of the New Jersey Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, serving the Cranford-Westfield area and surrounding communities for 64 years.

Holy Trinity To Feature Magnificat

The Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church Choir of Westfield will present the *Magnificat* of Giovanni Battista Pergolesi as the prelude music for this year's Christmas midnight Mass.

The *Magnificat*, which will be performed by the choir and soloists accompanied by a string trio, will be interspersed with carols for congregational singing.

Prelude music will begin at 11 o'clock on Christmas Eve, music during the Mass will include Pietro Yon's *Gesu Bambino*, with baritone soloist Steven Tasy.

The *Magnificat* will be presented a second time during the solemn vespers of Epiphany on Sunday, January 3, at 7 p.m.

Unitarians Announce Christmas Eve Rites

Christmas Eve services at The First Unitarian Society of Plainfield at 724 Park Avenue, will be led at 5 and 8 o'clock by the Reverend Margot Campbell Gross, the Minister of the society.

The service beginning at 5 p.m. will focus on families with young children, and will include readings, songs and candlelighting.

The 8 p.m. intergenerational candlelight service of worship and reflection also will include special instrumental music and familiar carols.

The First Unitarian Society of Plainfield is a church that includes members of many religious backgrounds from 56 communities in the Plainfield area.

The church is handicapped accessible, and services are held throughout the year on Sundays at 9:30 and 11 a.m.

For further information, please telephone the church at 756-0750.

St. Luke's Plans Winter Revival

St. Luke's African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church will hold its Winter Revival from January 4 to 8 at 7:30 o'clock each evening.

The evangelist for the week will be the Reverend Douglas Menden, the Pastor of the First Church African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of Paterson.

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Tuesday, 11 a.m., Fellowship Bible Study for all.

Wednesday, 7 o'clock, Mid-Week Service, Family Night and Adult Bible Study, and 7:30 p.m., Prayer Time.

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11:00 P.M.: Candlelight Service of Lessons and Carols. Chancel Choir soloists and readers.

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For further information, call the church office at 233-2494.

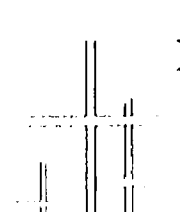


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7:15 p.m. Pre-Service Music
7:30 p.m. Service of Holy Communion
10:30 p.m. Pre-Service Music
11:00 p.m. Service of Holy Communion

December 25
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VERY SUB ROSA... Thomas Sloan, a Secret Service agent, is shown with Franklin School fifthgraders, David Sloan, Lee Kendrick, Rachel Luria, Jeri Pringle, Christopher Driscoll and Beth Dixon. Mr. Sloan came to Franklin School to speak to all the fifth grade classes about what his job entails. The fifthgraders are studying about the government, and Mr. Sloan talked about the Secret Service role within it. The students were particularly interested in the crack down of counterfeiting and their protection of the President and his family. He showed the students his bullet proof vest, communication equipment and his badge.

Childbirth Classes Slated At Muhlenberg Next Month

Childbirth classes, sponsored by Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield, will be held in January at the hospital on Randolph Road and Park Avenue.

Forms may be obtained from a physician, if he or she is on staff at Muhlenberg.

Those registering for infant care, early pregnancy and Lamaze will receive a discounted cost of \$95. For additional information and registration, please telephone 668-2353.

Lamaze classes, costing \$55, will be offered on five consecutive Mondays beginning January 4, five straight Tuesdays commencing January 5 and

five successive Wednesdays beginning January 6.

Infant-care classes costing \$30 will be held on Tuesday, January 5, 12, 19 and 26.

A refresher Lamaze course has been scheduled for Thursday, January 14 and 21. The cost is \$30. Early pregnancy classes, costing \$20, will be held on January 4, 11 and 18.

A breast-feeding class, costing \$15, will be held on Thursday, January 28 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in South Main 2 conference room. All other classes will be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the School of Nursing.



RIISING SUN... Focus on Japan Day, scheduled for January 12, at Westfield High School is being planned by Mrs. Etsuko Hayashi, Mrs. Mika Suzuki and Mrs. Kimie Moriyama of the Japanese Women's Club and Mrs. Val Torquati of Project '79 at the school. The presentation is part of the Sharing Talents and Skills Program of the Westfield Public Schools.

Five People Injured In Accidents in Town

Five people received moderate injuries in motor vehicle accidents in the town over the last week.

A Scotch Plains motorist, Jeffrey Coles, was taken to Overlook Hospital in Summit Wednesday when the car he was driving was involved in a collision with one driven by William O. Arnold of Chatham on West Broad Street near Lamberts Mill Road.

Dorothy Arnold, a passenger in the Chatham motorist's car, saw her own doctor for injuries sustained in the crash.

Thursday morning, a Westfield

bicyclist Richard Thomas received moderate injuries when his cycle was struck by a car on Park Street near Boulevard which fled the scene.

A Springfield motorist Ruth Gross was taken to Overlook Hospital with moderate injuries on Sunday morning when the car she was driving was struck by one driven by Giuseppe Petracca of Kenilworth which skidded on the wet roadway on Springfield Avenue near Mohican Drive.

Mr. Petracca also was taken to Overlook with moderate injuries.

No charges were issued in any of the accidents.

Nowadays to be intelligible is to be found out.

—Oscar Wilde



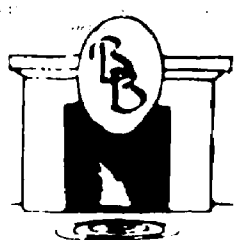
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BRINGING HOLIDAY CHEER... Mrs. Catherine Houlihan, a first-grade teacher at McKinley School, is shown at an intergenerational holiday celebration at Runnells Specialized Hospital in Berkeley Heights with students, left to right, Karma Lee Cowan, Christine Kessler, Alessandra Indomenico, Nicole Mutafis and Neil Kroncke, who, along with the rest of the class, performed poems and songs for the residents in the long-term care unit.

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ON STAGE... Preparing for the Washington School 1993 production, shown, left to right, are: Mrs. Kathy Maher, a Producer; Mrs. Alice Barbieri, a Director; Mrs. Lori Vantusky, a Producer, and the Reverend James Szezyler, a Director.

Washington School Players Prepare to 'Boogie'

The Washington School Players will be swingin' to the tunes of the 1940's in their 1993 production of *Boogie Woogie Bean Counter of Company B* written by Louis Carlow. There will be dance, singing, comedy and romance on Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7, at Roosevelt School.

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The telephone number is 789-4046. The system goes on after four rings.



TOP MUSICIAN... Janna Kamel, a third-grade student in Mrs. June Gleason's class recently was selected as Musician of the Month. She studies viola with Mrs. Barbara Vierzachling at Jefferson School. Though this is her first year, Janna was chosen as Musician of the Month due to the progress she has made. Janna also is interested in gymnastics and competes at level No. 6 for Henderson's Gymnastics in Edison. Her favorite subject is handwriting.

Look for a tough wedge for a tough log.

— Publius

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DIPLOMATIC VISIT...On a recent visit to the United Nations a group of women had the opportunity to meet former New York City Mayor Edward I. Koch. With Mayor Koch, shown, left to right, are: Mrs. Efrida Dawson of Mountainside, Mrs. Lella Kanter of Westfield and Mrs. Doris Riccardi and Mrs. Helen Didoardo of Mountainside.

Recent Real Estate Transactions



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 5 Oleander Dr., Clark. The property was handled by Hye-Young Choi.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced the listing and sale of this home at 131 Park Street, Westfield. The property was handled by Faith Maricic.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield, announced the sale of this home at 111 Lancaster Rd., Colonia. The property was handled by Darlene Coronato.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 94 Tudor Dr., Clark. The property was handled by Diane Pellino.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 13 Cowperwell Sq., Westfield. The property was handled by Susan D'Arceca.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 2238 Greenfield Pl., Scotch Plains. The property was handled by Kathy Shea.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced the sale of this home at 234 Corriell Ave., Fanwood. The property was listed by Vivian Young and sold by Karleen Burns.



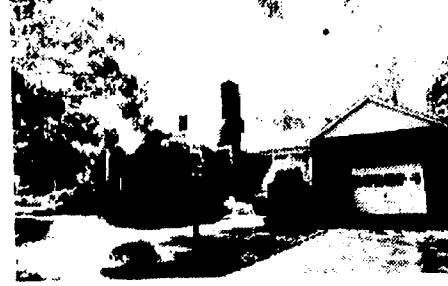
Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 310 E. Lincoln Ave., Cranford. The property was handled by Vasy Honecker and Georga Lekas.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield announced its participation in the sale of this home at 936 Grandview Ave. The property was handled by Carla Capuano.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced its participation in the sale of this home at 308 North Union Ave., Cranford. The property was handled by Pat Copeland.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield has announced the listing and sale of this home located at 132 Hardwick Avenue, Westfield. The property was listed by Karleen Burns and negotiations of sale was by Fran Perla.



Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, 264 East Broad St., Westfield announced its participation in the sale of this home at 3801 Cricket Circle, Edison. The property was handled by Kathy Shea.

Contact We Care Receives a Grant Based on Raising \$4,000 on Its Own

Like so many others who have had a rough year financially, so it has been at Contact We Care, a helpline and crisis intervention service staffed by trained volunteers, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

To help Contact during the current economic climate, a "challenge" grant has been offered to the non-profit organization.

Contact received word last month an anonymous donor has pledged \$4,000 if Contact can raise \$4,000 in new donations by the end of this month.

This money is intended to raise operating funds in light of the fact Contact does not charge for its services.

The "challenge" grant has been of particular importance this year due to the fact the grant from New Jersey was terminated when the state took over deaf-relay calls which had been one of Contact's primary functions in the past.

Other grants, such as those from local churches, have been reduced due to the fact funding sources have not contributed as much as in previous years.

Earlier this year, additional help was received when Contact We Care, in conjunction with the Cranford Dramatic Club, sponsored a benefit performance of the play *Whodunnit*. The proceeds from this event went to Contact.

This month, the community agency received help when grants from both the Westfield Foundation and Exxon Company, USA were received.

The \$2,150 grant from the Westfield Foundation covered the cost of printing new public relations and recruiting materials and the purchase of a videocassette recorder to complete a taping system for training.

The donation from Exxon was secured through its Volunteer Involvement Fund.

A.C. Patterson of Westfield and Harry Lampon, both Contact volunteers, submitted the request. The \$1,737 bought office furniture and new chairs for volunteers in the telephone rooms.

Donations can be sent to Contact We Care, P.O. Box 37, Westfield, 07091. Contact's "challenge" grant must be reached by the end of this month.

Next year, Contact again will begin another year of financial challenges as it strives to reach its fund-raising goals, so it can continue to provide a valuable community service.

For more information about Contact or to become a volunteer, please call 232-3017.

Contact We Care is a member of The United Way, Contact USA and Life Line International.

Trailside to Hold Several Workshops On Cross Country Skiing and Sports

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside will offer cross-country ski and winter sports workshops for beginners, to be taught by John Hanst, a certified Nordic ski instructor and 1960 Olympic Games engineer.

Sessions will be offered Saturday mornings, January 16 and 30, and February 6 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. A Thursday evening session will be held on February 11 from 7:30 to 9 o'clock.

A winter sports workshop will be offered on Thursday, February 4, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. as well.

The winter sports program will cover downhill skiing, ice skating and cross-country skiing basics such as places to go, safety, equipment and clothing.

Participants must register with a \$5 non-refundable, non-transferable deposit for any of the season dates. The \$5 fee will cover the cost of the indoor portion of each lesson. The indoor portion of the cross-country ski workshops will include a lecture and a film and address topics such as equipment, waxing, clothing, and places to go to ski. If there is enough skiable snow, participants will be required to provide their own skis, available for rent from many local ski shops, and pay an additional \$15 fee for the outdoor portion of the program. This will include the winter sports workshop as well. The outdoor ski lesson will include demonstrations and instruction of correct falling, snowplow stopping and striding and kick turns. The more advanced telemark turns also will be demonstrated if time allows.

Cross-country skiing, an excellent form of aerobic exercise, also is a

way for experienced skiers to tour the scenic Watchung Reservation, a Union County park.

To register for workshops, please telephone Trailside for space availability at 789-3670, then mail or bring

in the \$5 deposit. Checks should be made payable to "County of Union."

Registration is required and class size is limited for the outdoor portion of the program. There is no limit for the indoor lesson.

Senator's Bill Expands Children's Medical Aid

More New Jersey families would be able to take advantage of the financial assistance provided through the state's Catastrophic Illness in Children Relief Fund under legislation recently approved by the Senate.

The bill, sponsored by Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco, who represents Westfield, makes various changes to the relief program that was established in 1989 to assist families in paying for children's medical expenses.

Since 1989, the fund commission has handed out more than \$4.9 million in grants.

"The legislation, Senate Resolution No. 1311, seeks to make a few modifications to the eligibility requirements that were established in the original legislation. The fund already has been successful in assisting 270 families handle the financial burden of a seriously-ill child. It is my hope we can reach out and help even more New Jersey families," said Senator DiFrancesco, who sponsored the 1987 law that created the fund.

A key provision of the legislation revises the income requirements for an eligible family.

Currently, families may be eligible if their expenses for a child exceed 30 percent of their income or 40 percent

for families with incomes above \$100,000. Under the terms of the new proposal, families would be eligible for assistance from the relief fund if their children's medical expenses exceed 15 percent of the first \$100,000 of annual income of a family plus 20 percent of the excess income over \$100,000.

"Changing the income eligibility will help expand the pool of applicants without changing the original intent of the law, which was to assist those who are not eligible for any state or federal assistance program or whose expenses are not covered through an insurance contract," Senator DiFrancesco said.

The bill also changes the definition of a child from a person under 18 years to a person 18 years of age and under, modifies the residency requirements for eligibility for the program from a requirement of six months residency to three months residency, and adds two public members to the commission.

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