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Mayor Boothe Praises Efforts of Volunteers in Making Town Function Better

Note: Following is the complete text of the address given by Mayor and Councilman "Bud" Boothe, Jr. at Tuesday's 1993 re-organization meeting of the Town Council.

It is with a deep feeling of humility I speak this evening to you and the other residents of Westfield.

I feel a very solemn obligation has been placed upon me — and upon the other elected officials of our town — the obligation of giving to Westfield an administration dedicated to serve the best interests of all of its citizens.

It is in this sense of dedication I pledge my efforts as Mayor to assure Westfield's traditional governmental integrity and ethics.

I pledge continuing and close attention to a sound fiscal policy designed to keep the burden on the taxpayers as low as practicable without losing sight of the services which must be rendered.

In common with many fellow citizens, I feel Westfield is a very unique town in that, among its residents, we find not only persons who are outstanding in all lines of endeavor but who also are willing to use their talents in the public interest when called upon to do so.

It is this reservoir of ability which I propose to tap in, striving for, so far

as possible, the solution of the problems which face Westfield today and in the future.

I wish to thank all of the people of Westfield who, when called upon to serve on regular or special boards, have given of their time and talents.

I also wish to acknowledge my great debt to the members of council and the various appointed officials who always have been ready to undertake any tasks required and who have helped me through the problems of the year.

The foregoing sentiments are mine. The words are not — they are taken

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ShopRite Supermarket Proposed for Site Of Westfield Lumber

Store Would Occupy About 60,000 Square Feet; Joint Planning Board Meeting Urged on Proposal

By ROBERT R. FASZCZEWSKI
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

A 60,000-square-foot ShopRite supermarket with a parking area for approximately 320 cars will be constructed on the North Avenue site currently occupied by Westfield Lumber, which

The store, whose design would be based on demographic surveys of the needs of shoppers in Westfield, Garwood and "the area of Cranford near Union County College." "I would be unlike anything in the area," Mr. Sauro yesterday told *The Westfield Leader*.

He estimated the produce department in the new facility would be twice as large as that in any supermarket in the area and twice as large as ShopRites in Clark or the Blue Star Shopping Center in Watchung, and the bakery department would be triple the size of any in the area.

"The emphasis will be on freshness," Robert Sumas, the Vice President of Village, said. "We will offer the freshest fish, baked goods, produce and delicatessen goods, including prepared foods up to complete dinners in a variety not available in the area."

Facility Could Bring 250 Jobs To the Area

straddles the town's border with Garwood, if approval is granted by the Westfield and Garwood Planning Boards.

The initial hearing on the application is scheduled before the Westfield Planning Board on Monday, January 11, at 8 p.m., and a date has not yet been set for a hearing before the Garwood board, according to Frank Sauro, the attorney for Village Super Market Inc. of Springfield, which would operate the facility.

A joint hearing of the two planning boards, which Tuesday was proposed by Westfield Mayor Garland C. "Bud" Boothe, Jr., would be acceptable to the applicant, Mr. Sauro said.

Mrs. Reichard to Mark 100th Birthday Sunday

Born in Germany, She Came to United States in 1913

Mrs. Heinrich Otto Reichard of Westfield, a resident of the McCutcheon Yearly Meeting Friends Home in North Plainfield, on Sunday, January 10, will celebrate her 100th birthday.

Mrs. Reichard, the former Miss Annie Marie Draeger, was born on January 10, 1893 in Goettingen, Germany to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Heinrich Adolph Draeger.

Coming to the United States in 1913, the future Mrs. Reichard was married in 1915 in a Lutheran church in New York City.

Three years later, a son, Edmund Carl Reichard, was born to the couple. Mr. Reichard died when Edmund was 10 years old.

Mrs. Reichard became an advocate of world peace and tried to persuade others about the futility of war, a McCutcheon Homes spokesman noted.

In April of 1946 she joined the Religious Society of Friends, the

Quakers, becoming a member of the Rahway and Plainfield Monthly Meeting in Plainfield.

The centenarian has lived in the Garden State since 1920 — most of that time in Westfield.

In 1989, due to failing health, she became a resident of the McCutcheon Home.

WOMEN VOTERS SELL CITIZEN'S HANDBOOK

The Westfield Area League of Women Voters announces the sale of the 1993 *New Jersey Citizen's Handbook*.

The handbook is \$3 and can be purchased at the following town stores: Sealtons on Central Avenue and the Leader Store at 109 East Broad Street.

The handbook is compiled by the New Jersey League of Women Voters and identifies New Jersey Congressional and Legislative districts along with respective Senators, Representatives and Assembly Members.

A date planner is included as well as other pertinent governmental information.

For additional information, please telephone Mrs. Donna M. McDonald at 322-7013.

Calendar for Schools Discussed by Board

Concerns Expressed About Religious Holidays

By TUCKER TRIMBLE
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Dr. Mark C. Smith, Westfield Superintendent of Schools, presented to the Committee of the Whole a proposed draft of the school calendar for 1993-1994. "This is a difficult task because there are no absolutes and no real truths," Dr. Smith remarked. "We seek what the wisest course is for Westfield and the students and faculty."

To give some idea of the concerns used in determining which religious holidays to observe, Dr. Smith pointed out that currently there are 42 separate religious days identified by the State of New Jersey. "We pick those we feel are important to our community," he explained. "There are different patterns in different school districts."

Dr. Smith made it clear that, "This is a draft to initiate discussion," pointing out that in the six years he has been affiliated with the board, the first draft has never been adopted.

"Basically, I'm happy with the calendar," Mrs. Susan Jacobson, Vice President of the board said, although some questioned the proposed opening date and the change from the current February week-long vacation to a four-day weekend.

This year schools opened before Labor Day, and the board reported the response was positive from both parents and faculty, although as Board President, Mrs. Susan H. Pepper,

pointed out, Labor Day was very late this year. Response might not be so positive, if the school year started in August.

Board member, G. Bruce McFadden, said, "The board's responsibility in terms of education is to provide a sound calendar that people can rely on year to year." This was in response to the idea that the starting date each year be constant, such as the Wednesday before Labor Day.

The perennial topic of a longer school year was also raised. "A goal would be a longer school year," Mrs. Jacobsen said. Board member, Mrs. Melba S. Nixon, disagreed, promising that "one of my New Year's

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New Freeholder Chairman Advocates Shared Services With Communities

Calls for More Long-Range Planning; Praises Cost Savings Achieved Last Year

By ROBERT R. FASZCZEWSKI
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

The possibility of shared services among municipalities in Union County and between the county and its 21 communities was raised by Miss Linda Lee Kelly of Elizabeth after she was sworn in on Friday as the Chairman of the Board of Chosen

Freeholders.

Freeholder Frank H. Lehr of Summit, who like Miss Kelly, is a Republican, was elected by his colleagues as the Vice Chairman of the freeholder board for 1993.

Friday's re-organization meeting also saw the swearing in of Democratic Freeholders Casimir Kowalczyk of Elizabeth, Elmer M. Ertl of Roselle and Walter McLeod of Rahway, all for their second three-year terms.

Also taking their oaths of office were Democratic Sheriff Ralph G. Froehlich for his sixth three-year term and Democratic Surrogate, Mrs. Ann P. Conti, for her third five-year term.

In her address on Friday, Miss Kelly said in the current economy all levels of government must examine the services provided to residents and investigate ways of pooling resources.

"This mutual cooperation and assistance will result in a more efficient system and eliminate duplication of effort," she added. "Taxpayers are entitled to receive value for their tax dollars, and it is the responsibility of all elected officials to insure they do."

The new Chairman also said the county must begin this year to envision where it will be five, 10 or 20 years from now.

First, she added, the county facilities and infrastructure should be upgraded, citing plans for a new juvenile detention center, for which a site already is being sought.

Secondly, according to the Chairman, the county must work with business, labor, education, local chambers of commerce and economic development groups to enhance the county's attractiveness to business.

She also said the Freeholders must continue to seek ways to decrease the

cost of county government while maintaining the quality of service expected by residents.

The state also must be urged to carry its fair share of the costs of services it mandates, such as the judicial system, Miss Kelly noted.

Reviewing 1992, she noted the saving of \$600,000 to \$700,000 annually because of employee health insurance containment measures, the adoption of a compensation package establishing salary ranges for job groups and a performance-based evaluation system and the establishment of a flexible benefits plan which resulted in savings on Social Security and medical, dental and child care and the implementation of a reduced-fee child care program for county employees.

In other action at Friday's session, the Freeholders:

- Adopted a temporary 1993 budget.
- Appointed various Freeholders as Liaisons to advisory boards.
- Designated *The Westfield Leader*, *The Star-Ledger* and *The News-Tribune* of Woodbridge as official county newspapers for the receipt of local notices.
- Appointed William G. Palermo Inc. of Linden and Amalgamated General Agencies of Westfield as Insurance Brokers of Record to the county for this year.
- Awarded a contract to Suplee, Clooney & Company as auditors for the county this year.
- Named Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy to provide labor negotiations services this year at a maximum fee of \$200,000.
- Appointed Pisano & Trianni as the Special Counsel for Personnel Affairs for this year at a maximum fee of

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MAKING IT OFFICIAL... Town Clerk, Mrs. Joy C. Vreeland, left, swears in the Mayor and Town Councilmen during Tuesday's re-organization meeting at their families' look on. They are, left to right, Second Ward Councilman and Mrs. James J. Gruba, Fourth Ward Councilman and Mrs. Michael E. Panagos, Mayor and Mrs. Garland C. "Bud" Boothe, Jr., First Ward Councilman and Mrs. Anthony M. LaPorta and their son, Zachary LaPorta, and Third Ward Councilman and Mrs. Gary G. Jenkins.

DEADLINES HELP LEADER SERVE YOU

Those preparing press releases for submission to *The Westfield Leader* are reminded all copy should be in the hands of the Editor at 50 Elm Street, Westfield, by 4 p.m., on the Friday before the Thursday on which they wish it to appear.

For events which happen the weekend prior to publication, press releases should reach the Editor by Monday of the week of publication at 10 a.m.

Obituaries will be taken until Tuesday at 5 p.m.

For events which are planned weeks or months in advance, we encourage submission of stories as early as possible prior to the event.

The above deadlines are meant to enable us to prepare your copy carefully.

Renamed Fund Will Aid Westfield High Seniors

An existing scholarship fund administered by the Westfield Foundation has been expanded and renamed the Thelma and Noel Taylor Memorial Scholarship Fund.

The Thelma C. Taylor Memorial Award for Excellence in Literature, established in 1989, was made possible through a fund created with the Westfield Foundation after Mrs. Taylor's death by her husband, Noel A. Taylor, and other family members and friends.

Following the death of Mr. Taylor

Cranford Artist Judges Exhibition For Town Group

Joe Hing Lowe, an artist from Cranford, has been selected to judge the Westfield Art Association Members Exhibition.

The opening reception will begin on Sunday, January 10, and the exhibition will continue through Saturday, January 30.

Mr. Lowe has won a five-year scholarship from the Salmagundi Club, and has been active in the art world as a teacher in New York City and also has a private studio. His art career spans over 30 years. Many of his works are in public and private collections, which include that at Union County College.

The exhibition will be at the Watchung Arts Center at 18 Sterling Road, Watchung.

Please telephone 753-0190 for more information.

Genius is the talent of a man who is dead.

Edmond de Goncourt

last September, their children, Dr. Beryl Taylor and Professor Mark Taylor, renamed the fund, increased the monetary size of it and changed the purpose of the award to honor the memories of both of their parents.

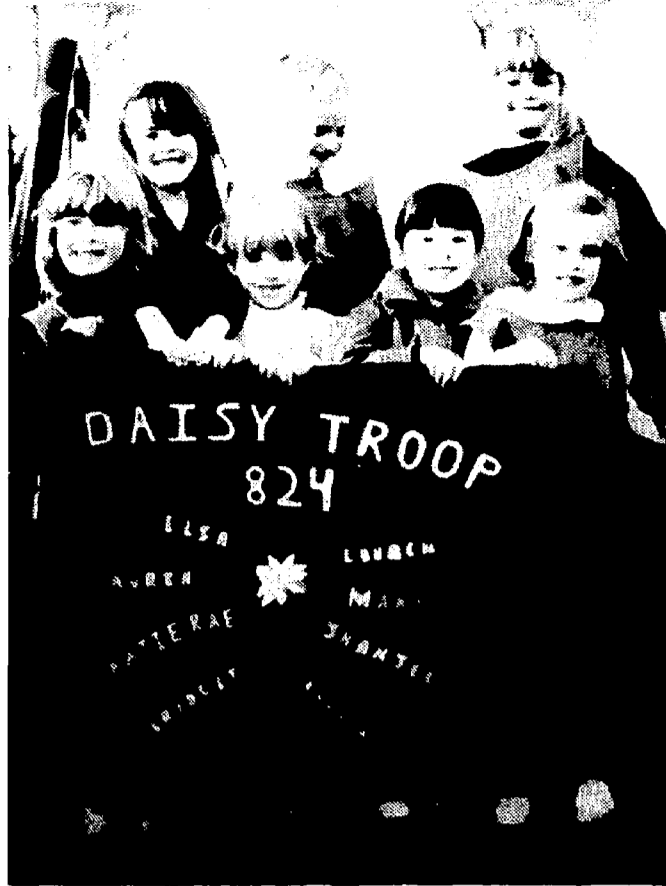
Mrs. Taylor was a teacher of English at Westfield High School for many years, and her memorial award honored a graduating Westfield High School senior who "demonstrated outstanding work in the study of literature."

Mr. Taylor was a science teacher at the high school and was active in the preservation of Brightwood Park.

The changed scholarship fund will reflect the contributions to Westfield of both Mr. and Mrs. Taylor. The citation reads, in part: The Taylors "were teachers with an extraordinary gift for communicating their love of science and literature to their students. They were sincerely dedicated to excellence in education." For the Taylors "the study of science and literature was never an end in itself, but was always a means by which they helped young people explore life's recurrent questions and enduring values."

The Thelma and Noel Taylor Scholarship Fund will now be awarded annually to a Westfield High School graduating senior or seniors who have "demonstrated outstanding work in the study of science or literature."

Anyone wishing to contribute to the fund or to learn more about establishing a fund within the Westfield Foundation should contact the Executive Director, The Westfield Foundation, P.O. Box 2295, Westfield 07091.



HELPING THE PARK... Daisy Troop No. 824, members of the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council, recently participated in the Adopt-A-Foot campaign spearheaded by the Friends of Mindowaskin Park to raise funds for renovation of the park. The troop "adopted" a foot of Mindowaskin Park by purchasing a certificate, and spent an afternoon at the park picking up and disposing of several trash bags of litter. The troop was assisted by Troop Leader, Mrs. Joyce Winchester and Co-Leaders, Mrs. Nancy Mulvey and Mrs. Barbara Stanat. Also participating, shown, left to right, were: Bottom row, Lauren Winchester, Elsa Werner, Angela DiIorio and Katie Rae Mulvey; top row, Lauren Stanat, Mary Bash and Bridget Martucci.

Fellowship to Honor Dr. Charles Philhower

The Westfield Rotary Club has announced the creation of the Charles Philhower Fellowship Award to honor past Rotarian and long-time School Superintendent, Dr. Charles A. Philhower, and to recognize the importance of teaching in the elementary grades.

One Westfield elementary teacher will be selected each year to receive a Philhower Fellowship.

The fellowship recipient will be honored at a Rotary luncheon, will receive a symbol of the award and will be supported by Rotary to attend a professional conference of the honoree's choice.

A teacher, historian, scholar of Indian artifacts and lore and Rotarian, Dr. Philhower was Westfield's Superintendent of Schools from 1917 to 1949.

From 1943 through 1945, Dr. Philhower also served as the President of the New Jersey Education Association.

Dr. Philhower was the President of the Westfield Rotary Club in 1929-1930 and Rotary District Governor in 1936-1937.

Fellowship recipients will be selected by a committee chaired by the Rotary Chairman of Vocational Service and including the immediate past

recipient of a Philhower Fellowship, a Rotarian appointed by the President of the Westfield Rotary and two elementary Principals from the Westfield Public Schools.

To be eligible for a fellowship, a teacher must have taught fulltime in kindergarten through fifth grade in Westfield for a minimum of five years.

The criteria for the fellowship will be: Outstanding teaching, an interest in children and the continued pursuit of professional growth.

Letters of nomination are invited from citizens and members of the staff. They should be sent to the Charles Philhower Fellowship Committee, in care of Westfield Rotary, 507 Wychwood Road, Westfield, 07090.

The deadline for the receipt of nominations will be noon on Friday, January 29. The Philhower Fellow for 1992-1993 will be named in February.

Nominations should specify ways in which the teacher has demonstrated outstanding teaching, an interest in children and the continued pursuit of professional growth.

The school district's personnel office will verify candidates have taught in the elementary grades fulltime for at least five years.

Women's Unit to Honor Colleagues at Dinner

The Union County Commission on the Status of Women will be sponsoring a dinner on Friday, March 5th, 1993 at the Gran Centurions in Clark.

The purpose of the dinner is to honor the following women, all of whom either work or live in Union County, as they have made a significant contribution in either their occupation or community.

The award recipients include Union County Manager, Mrs. Ann Baran, government

Surrogate, Mrs. Ann P. Conti in the legal field

The guest speaker for the event will be WPIX Anchorwoman Kaity Tong.

For ticket information, please telephone at 422-2133 during the day or 388-5259 in the evening.

Concert to Benefit Dickison Fund

The Westfield Jaycees will sponsor a Young Children's Concert, performed by Pierce Joyce, on Saturday, January 16, at Roosevelt Intermediate School auditorium at 301 Clark Street, Westfield.

There will be two shows at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets will be \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door.

The concert, which is primarily for children 2 to 7 years old, will benefit the David Dickison Fund.

For more information, please telephone 232-2225 or 654-0111, or tickets may be purchased at these

Westfield stores: Woodfield's, The Music Staff or Sealtons Young World.

La Leche Group To Meet Wednesday

The Westfield A.M. La Leche League will meet on Wednesday, January 13, at the First Baptist Church at 170 Elm Street, Westfield at 9:30 a.m. to a toddler session.

Please telephone 757-9828 or 709-4171 for more information.

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Education Fund Votes For Interactive Television

The Education Fund of Westfield Board of Trustees has voted to adopt an interactive television learning system for the Westfield Public Schools as its first long-range fund-raising project, and will spend the next year seeking funds and resources to provide Westfield's part of the planned interactive cable television system linked to a Union County network.

The first phase of this project involves the acquisition of a television satellite receiving system, which the fund anticipates will be in place by the end of this year. The satellite television receiver allows reception of educational programs from almost any geographic location, according to a fund spokesman.

In other business, the fund also re-elected William S. Jeremiah, 2nd as the President of its Board of Trustees, as that body began its second year of work to create an educational endowment fund which will act as a catalyst for the generation and allocation of resources to enhance the programs of the Westfield Public Schools.

"I'm looking forward to this important second year for the fund," Mr. Jeremiah said. "An interactive television system such as the one already in existence in Bergen County

will be a terrific educational tool for Union County, and the Westfield Public Schools should be in the forefront of this technological innovation.

"Now that the Board of Trustees has endorsed this major fund-raising effort, we will immediately begin launching plans to implement it," he added. "Led by A. Donald Pray and his committee, we will seek corporate and foundation resources to equip an interactive television classroom for Westfield."

Mr. Jeremiah also noted the fund's plans to do a town-wide mailing next spring describing the project, and soliciting community support for it and other fund initiatives.

"Basically, an interactive television network allows a classroom to transmit and receive video and audio communication from other classrooms in the network or from other broadcast sources via fiber optic cables," he said.

The fund also will hold its second annual "A Taste of Westfield" dinner parties on Saturday, March 13.

Mrs. Danielle Walsh and Mrs. Ellen Albertson will chair that event.

Last year's evening attracted more than 500 supporters to 55 dinner parties held throughout Westfield. Guests make a contribution to the fund and meet at the high school after dinner for entertainment and desserts donated by local restaurants and food businesses.

Efforts will continue, led by Vice President Roger Love, to seek fund support from Westfield High School alumni.

Mr. Love is attempting to contact representatives of all graduating classes of the high school in order to develop an alumni directory which will be useful to the fund and to class-reunion organizing groups.

Mr. Love would like any Westfield High School graduates to telephone him at 232-7925 or write him at the fund at Box 2221, Westfield, 07901-2221.

The fund also awaits grant applications from Westfield faculty and staff for innovative projects on a smaller scale.

It hopes to make "minigrants" for such worthwhile activities in the near future.

In addition to Mr. Jeremiah and Mr. Love, Mr. Pray was re-elected Treasurer of the fund and Mrs. Walsh was elected Secretary, succeeding Mrs. Nancy Liggera.

The following Trustees, having completed one-year terms, agreed to serve new three-year terms: Mrs. Albertson, Mrs. Liggera, Mr. Love, William D. Peck and Mrs. Susan H. Pepper.

The remaining Trustees are Lawrence A. Goldman, William Jacobs, Edward Kassakian, Robert H. Mulreany, Mrs. Carol Phelan, Mrs. Michele Picou and David Tyre.

The fund is a non-profit, philanthropic, community-based organization begun in 1991 to raise private donations to enhance and maintain the quality of the Westfield Public Schools.

For more information about the fund, please contact Mr. Jeremiah at the fund at Box 2221, Westfield, 07901-2221.



EVENT PLANNERS...Mapping out "Kids Expo," which will be held on Sunday, March 28, committee members, shown, left to right are: Mrs. Jill Sitzer, Mrs. Nancy Rosenthal, Mrs. Carolyn Fleder and Mrs. Barbara Wyckoff; standing, Mrs. Melba S. Nixon, Mrs. Gaylee Schachter and Mrs. Janice Weinberg.

Kids Expo to Stimulate Learning in Children

The Westfield "Y" and the Scotch Plains Jewish Community Center are planning a collaborative event for Central New Jersey families.

"Kids Expo" will be held on Sunday, March 28, from noon until 5 p.m. at Union County College in Cranford.

Over 5,000 children and their parents are expected to have an opportunity to discover and learn about the world of art, music, telecommunications, business and science.

More than 30 "hands-on" exhibits are being planned to stimulate the curiosity and interests of pre-school and elementary-age children.

In addition, Kids Expo will feature afternoon entertainment.

Numerous corporations are sponsoring this community-wide event, thereby enabling museums and out-of-town exhibits to participate.

Both the "Y" and the community center are constituent agencies of the United Way.

For more information, please telephone Miss Lisa Christian, the Assistant Director of the Westfield "Y" at 233-2700 or Richard Conman, the Executive Director of the community center, at 889-8800.



Governor Appoints Robert E. Connery

Westfield resident Robert E. Connery has been appointed to the Governor's Council on Volunteerism and Community Service, Governor James J. Florio has announced.

"I am very pleased to appoint Mr. Connery," Governor Florio noted. "His experience and commitment will make him a valuable member of the council."

Mr. Connery serves as the Executive Vice President of the American Diabetes Association, New Jersey Affiliate, based in Somerset.

The Governor's Council on Volunteerism and Community Service was created under an executive order signed by Governor Florio in November. The council was established to coordinate a concerned group of citizens to work for the common good of the state.

Town Rescue Squad Trained in Defibrillation

Staff members of Overlook Hospital in Summit Monday and yesterday trained members of the Westfield Rescue Squad to use a piece of equipment that will help save the lives of heart attack victims.

The training session, part of a state-wide instructional program on the use of the new semiautomatic defibrillator, was held at the Westfield Rescue Squad Building at 335 Watterson Street.

The 86-member squad, the largest volunteer squad in the state, will be one of the first to utilize the new defibrillator, having purchased several units last month.

The semiautomatic defibrillator is a device that can be operated by trained members of a rescue squad.

Currently, paramedics are the only trained operators because they use manual defibrillators, which require the ability to analyze heart rhythms. Local rescue squads typically arrive at the scene of an emergency first, but they are not able to administer manual defibrillation until a paramedic arrives.

"This training program ultimately put more advanced defibrillation capabilities into the hands of those who arrive on the scene of an emergency first," said Overlook's Mobile Intensive Care Unit Project Coordinator and the coordinator of the program.

"This 'smart' defibrillator means cardiac-arrest patients will receive immediate treatment and will have a better chance of survival," the coordinator added.

"Westfield is a very high-stress, white-collar community," commented Joseph Urso, the President of the Westfield Rescue Squad. "A third of all our calls are cardiac-related, so this training program will have a tremendous impact on our ability to respond to people in cardiac arrest."

A defibrillator is used by medical personnel to aid patients in cardiac arrest. Nationally, 1,000 heart attack

victims die every day because they could not reach a hospital in time for treatment, according to the Coordinator.

More than 350 people throughout the state are being trained to serve as instructors in the use of the new semiautomatic defibrillator.

The Overlook Hospital staff is training rescue squads in its primary service areas. With approximately 16,000 certified Emergency Medical Technicians in New Jersey, thousands could potentially be trained through the program.

The state-wide defibrillation training program is being underwritten by a state grant awarded to Overlook last year.

The grant covers the cost of instructors and training materials.

Local rescue squads will have to purchase the semiautomatic defibrillators, which typically cost \$5,000 to \$7,000.

Naturalists to Learn About Florida

"Birding in Florida" will be the featured presentation for the first meeting of the 1993 year for the Echo Lake Naturalists Club.

The meeting will be held at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield on Mountain Avenue at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, January 12.

The featured speaker will be William Leaning, who is a world traveler and member of the Summit Nature Club. Dr. Leaning will present a slide program. Guests may attend regular meetings and trips.

The club is dedicated to the conservation and preservation of wildlife in all of its various forms and welcomes those who share this dedication.

A birding trip is planned to the Delaware River-Pocono Environmental Education Center. The trip will be led by Mrs. Joyce Payeur who will lead the group in search of bald eagles.

The trip also will include a visit to the Pocono center, which is becoming increasingly well known for its outstanding, year-round environmental education program.

Those interested in attending the trip, which will lead off at 7 a.m. on Saturday, January 16, will meet at the Bradlees parking lot in Clark.

Further information may be obtained by telephoning Field Trip Chairman Peter Axelrod at 464-3933.

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Doctors Must Stop Raising Costs With Expensive Tests



By Herb Ross

The question of a national health care program becomes even more baffling when you investigate the labyrinth of 1,100 private insurance companies...

In America, health care is effectively rationed to those in good health with the money to pay for it.

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QUALITY OF CARE

According to an Employee Benefit Research Institute poll, most people who have insurance rate the care as good...

According to the Department of Health and Human Services, more babies die in the United States in their first year...

How can we rate the quality of the care we receive?

It's difficult, some plans suggest requiring recertification of providers and publishing national standards of proper care.

The need for information relative to patient care and some "oversight" board that will review the doctor's treatment is obvious.

If a doctor wants to order an expensive test when one that is inexpensive will do, the oversight committee would veto it!

A doctor who wants to perform a \$1,500 to \$2,000 angiogram will have to answer to the board. It's getting too expensive to have these very costly tests when others that are much cheaper will do.

The cost of medical treatment is going through the roof. Doctors want to play it safe by ordering the most sophisticated tests so they don't have to think and make judgments!

What do you think?

Support Group Sets Meetings

Visions is a support group for those who are separated, divorced or widowed.

Meetings are held on the second and fourth Sundays of each month at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Parish Center at 1600 Rahway Avenue, Westfield at 7 p.m.

On Sunday, January 10, a Workshop and discussion will deal with setting goals for 1993 and beyond.

On Sunday, January 24, there will be a workshop on self-esteem and a positive outlook.

For details, please telephone 322-7762 after 8 p.m.

German-Americans Bring Rich Heritage to the State

It is estimated at least one sixth of the residents of the United States have some German roots...

The Germans in New Jersey have organized themselves into a great variety of social, educational and cultural groups.

The largest German-American nationwide organization, the German-American National Congress, known by its German initials, D.A.N.K., has branches in New Jersey.

The organization fosters an awareness of civic duties, responsibilities and privileges.

A number of German-American clubs also have sprung up around the Garden State, including the Bayern Verein, Bavarian Club of Newark, which was founded in 1930.

The club has a dance troupe which performs the Schuhplattler, a folk-dance from Bavaria...

Members of the group perform centuries-old dances dressed in the traditional lederhosen, for the men, and dirndls for the women.

They participate with other groups, such as Edelweiss Passaic, in dance festivals both inside and outside New Jersey.

The Bavarian group, which currently is located at Farcher's Grove in Union, every year presents an Oktoberfest to which thousands of German-Americans come to enjoy the music, food and happy atmosphere.

Another group of New Jersey German-Americans, the Plattdeutsch, from Northern Germany, established the Plattdeutsch Volksfest-Verein, folk festival club, of New York and New Jersey around 1875.

One year before the formal organization of this group, the Plattdeutsch held a folk festival which attracted about 125,000 people to the six-day event.

In 1894, the organization purchased Schuetzen Park, in North Bergen, where they have been conducting festivals ever since.

Today, the group includes 42 delegated independent societies and approximately 30 ladies' auxiliaries with a membership list in the thousands.

Its membership actually covers all 50 states.

One of the largest German-speaking charitable bodies in the world outside of Germany, the group built the Fritz Reuter Alzheimer for the aged in 1899 and has aided the victims of the San Francisco earthquake, the Johnstown flood in Pennsylvania and floods of Germany and Holland.

The club also raised half a million dollars for food, clothing and medical supplies for the needy in post-World War II Germany and Austria.

Because the preservation of the German language often has played a large part in their lives, German-Americans often have provided instruction in their native tongue.

The first Deutsche Sprachschule, German language school, was founded by the congregation of the Emanuel Methodist Church of Newark in 1934.

By 1952 the school had legally incorporated as a non-profit, non-sectarian, tax-exempt educational institution which set the structural pattern for most of the schools which later were founded.

By 1964, the school employed 14 professional teachers to instruct its student body of more than 250.

The 1960s saw many German language schools spring up in other parts of the state such as Plainfield, Union City and Westwood.

Other forms of cultural and educational institutions which have been formed by German-Americans in the Garden State include the turnvereins, or gymnastics clubs, in such areas as Carlstadt and North Bergen, and singing societies, which sprung up in North Plainfield, Lakewood and other communities.

Kent Place Plans Showcase of Arts

Kaleidoscope, an evening devoted to girls' education at Kent Place School in Summit, will be held on Wednesday, January 13, at 7 o'clock in the Kent Place Theater at 42 Norwood Avenue, Summit.

This year the program will focus on the arts program at Kent Place.

Kaleidoscope will feature performances and exhibitions by students as well as presentations by faculty and alumnae. The program is open to the public and there is not admission charge.

For more information or to make a reservation, please telephone the admissions office at 273-0900.

In case of snow, Kaleidoscope will be held on Thursday, January 14. Kent Place is New Jersey's largest non-sectarian college preparatory school for girls.

Fanaticism consists in redoubling your effort when you have forgotten your aim.

George Santayana

Twenty-Third Amendment Gave Washingtonians Vote

Editor's Note: The following is another in a series of articles on the Bill of Rights and subsequent amendments to the Constitution.

This week's article is on the 23rd Amendment.

Ratified on March 29, 1961, the 23rd Amendment grants residents of the District of Columbia the power to vote in Presidential Elections.

Of the 26 amendments to the Constitution, the 23rd Amendment is the only one that is directed to a group of residents in a particular jurisdiction.

The struggle to obtain voting rights for residents of the seat of the federal government almost is as old as the District of Columbia itself.

Article 1, Section No. 8 of the Constitution granted Congress exclusive legislative authority over a "District (not exceeding 10 miles square), as may, by cession of particular states, and the acceptance of Congress, become the seat of the government of the United States."

The District of Columbia was created in 1790 by an act that called for the establishment of the nation's capital by the banks of the Potomac River on a parcel of land ceded by the states of Virginia and Maryland...

from its temporary home in Philadelphia, both the White House and the Capitol Building still were under construction.

Efforts to gain some Congressional representation for District of Columbia residents began in 1801 and, over the following 150 years, numerous legislative proposals to accomplish that objective were introduced in Congress. Finally, in 1960, a compromise amendment was proposed which gained enough popular support to win passage.

Under the terms of the compromise, residents of the District of Columbia were allowed to vote in elections for the President and Vice President, but they were not allowed any greater representation in such elections "than the least populous state," and they were refused any representation in Congress.

Significantly, the 23rd Amendment did not give the District of Columbia any of the other characteristics of a state, nor did it alter the constitutional authority of Congress to legislate in matters relating to the district.

Since 1970, Congress has authorized residents of the District of Columbia to send a non-voting representative to the House of Representatives, but the issue of the district's political status continues to be a subject of controversy in the nation's capital.

The trouble with the world is that the stupid are cocksure and the intelligent full of doubt.

Bertrand Russell

Before you get divorced, get the facts.

DIVORCE SEMINAR

Thursday, January 14 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. Millburn Public Library, 200 Glen Ave., Millburn

No admission charge. Reservations not required. For more information, call Jan Recca (908) 855-6452.

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—Arnold Bennett

Miss Pamela Chicella Marries Mr. Savoca

Miss Pamela Chicella, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald V. Chicella of Westfield, was married on Saturday, October 24, to Christopher Savoca, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Savoca, Sr., also of Westfield.

The ceremony took place at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield with the Reverend William Morris officiating.

Music was provided by Mrs. Annette White, with Mrs. Susan Faas as vocalist. A reception followed at the Colonia Country Club in Colonia.

The bride wore an Alfred Angelo white taffeta gown trimmed with Alençon lace and seed pearls. It featured a portrait neckline, long sleeves and a full chapel-length train. Her headpiece was a crown of sequin petals with a large pouff and a three-tiered veil. She carried a cascading bouquet of white roses, gardenias and stephanotis.

The bridal attendants wore tea-length dresses by Bill Levkoff in black

jacquard satin trimmed with white lace at the off-the-shoulder portrait neckline, and carried bouquets of star-gazers, freesia and stephanotis.

Attending the couple were Mrs. Melinda Canterbury of Tucson, the cousin of the bride, as matron of honor, and Miss Barbara Chicella of Las Vegas, Miss Becky Brown of Chapel Hill, North Carolina and Mrs. Dorothy Lopez of Plainsboro as attendants.

John Savoca, Jr., the brother of the groom, served as his best man, and Michael Chicella of Durham, North Carolina, Paul Savoca and Joseph Agnone of Westfield as groomsmen.

Mrs. Savoca is employed at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville as a radiologic technologist and clinical instructor and Mr. Savoca is employed with Crane Builders.

Following a wedding trip to Florida and a Bahama cruise, the couple established a residence in Clark.



Miss Phyllis Hoover Wood and Mark Stiles Breese

Miss Wood Betrothed To Mark S. Breese

Mrs. Ann H. Wood of Scotch Plains, formerly of Westfield, announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Phyllis Hoover Wood of Alexandria, Virginia, to Mark Stiles Breese of Falls Church, Virginia. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude R. Breese of Schenectady, New York.

The future bride is a 1983 graduate of Kent Place School in Summit. She attended Wittenberg University in Ohio and Tope-Coburn in New York City receiving a degree in merchan-

dising. She works for Tiffany & Co. in Vienna, Virginia.

Her fiancé is a 1982 graduate of Niskayuna High School in Schenectady. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics and a Master of Science Degree in Policy Analysis from the University of Rochester. He is an economist for Energy and Environmental Analysis, Inc. in Arlington, Virginia.

A spring wedding will be held in Washington, D.C.

Woman's Club Outlines Calendar for January

The Woman's Club of Westfield has announced the following department meetings for this month:

• Wednesday, January 13, at 10 a.m. Mrs. Edwin DeGoff and Mrs. W. J. Campbell will present the history of flags to the International Affairs Department. Mrs. DeGoff will delve into this history dating back to 1126 B.C. and the Chou Dynasty. Mrs. Campbell has chosen to explain the significance of the symbols and the colors of several European countries.

• Friday, January 15, at 1 p.m. Mrs. Ethel Henry will present to the Antiques Department a program of slides. She also will display paperweights from her collection. Tea will be served by the department's hospitality committee.

• Monday, January 18, at 1 p.m. Mrs. Howard K. Dreizler will present to the American Home Life and Social Services Departments a program entitled *Famous People You've Never*

Heard Of. Guests may attend. Mrs. Frederick A. Egner and Mrs. Luther S. Hafer will be the hostesses for tea following the meeting.

• Wednesday, January 20, at 9:30 a.m. the Arts and Crafts Department will meet and make plans for entries in the District Achievement Day on Tuesday, April 27. The department members also will make decisions on programs for the remainder of the year. Guests may attend.

• Wednesday, January 20, at 8 p.m. Mrs. Linda McTeague of the Department of Parks and Recreation of Union County will present a talk entitled *Will They Restore the Deserted Village?* to the Fortnightly Group. There will be a monthly business meeting prior to the lecture.

• Monday, January 25, at 1 p.m. the Literature Department will hear a talk by Mrs. Vincent Positan on Eugene O'Neill, the playwright and four-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize.

Dreams Come True Hosts Fashion Show Saturday

More than 100 bridal manufacturers make their home in New York City, but only a few produce high-quality gowns, made in the United States, with style and creative ingenuity.

Van Lear Bridals, a partnership of sisters Lora and Lisa Van Lear, has been designing exquisite gowns for eight years, using the finest silks and romantic laces with delicate details rarely used in mass-produced imported gowns, reports a spokeswoman for Dreams Cover True Bridal Shop in Westfield.

The shop will host a trunk and fashion show on Saturday, January 9, featuring the gowns of Van Lear Bridals.

Every gown in their current line

will be modeled and made available for trying on after the fashion show.

The fashion show will begin at 11 a.m. Designer Lora Van Lear will be on hand to provide special consultation, and will do custom sketches for any bride desiring a unique design.

One new popular Van Lear gown, featured in *Elegant Bride* magazine, has "real" preserved miniature rosebuds nestled in lace and sewn into the sleeves and train.

Another gown has velvet roses along the neckline and cascading down the train. Van Lear's design trademark is the built-in drawing bustle. When the hidden strings are pulled, the train of the gown is lifted in a matter of seconds into a soft cascade of ruffles, the spokeswoman noted.

Reservations for the fashion show and for trying on the gowns may be made by telephoning Dreams Come True Bridal Shop at 233-0578.

Rotarians Learn About Disorders in Sleeping

Dr. Donald R. Sweeney, a psychologist who is associated with Rotarian, Dr. Angela P. Schaub, spoke to members of the Rotary Club of Westfield on insomnia at the club's regular weekly meeting last week.

Dr. Sweeney told the Rotarians sleep was a complex and important function on which we spend one third of our lives.

While there is no normal night's sleep, some people may require only five hours while others may require 10 hours. The measure of sufficiency is the amount required to function properly, he said.

A number of sleep disorders were noted by Dr. Sweeney, including difficulty in initiating or continuing sleep and disorder or sleep-wake cycles, for example jet-lag, falling asleep and parasomnia which includes sleepwalking.

Dr. Sweeney gave some advice on "How to Get a Good Night's Sleep" as follows:

- Limit caffeine intake
- Moderate alcohol intake
- Eat more carbohydrates
- Do no exercise late
- Eliminate naps
- Improve the bedroom environment by moderating noise, humidity and temperature — cooler is better than warmer
- Note medication can be effective.

The Westfield High School Choraleers also presented a program of Christmas and holiday music to the members of the Rotary Club at a

recent meeting. James Bell directed the choir of 21 singers, now in their 11th year of providing high standards of singing to appreciative audiences.

Rake and Hoe To Present Bird Program

The Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield will meet on Wednesday, January 23, at 12:30 p.m. at the Westfield "Y."

The program will be presented by Richard P. Kane, who is the Director of Conservation for the New Jersey Audubon Society.

He also is the Director of Scherman Hoffman Sanctuaries in Bernardsville and the Editor of *Record of New Jersey Birds*, which is the society's quarterly on bird status and populations in New Jersey.

Mrs. Kane is the "Voice of New Jersey Audubon," the weekly birding hotline, 766-2661. He represents the society on various public bodies, state advisory councils and coalitions. He has led trips to Australia and Africa and is the author of numerous articles on conservation and birds.

The hostesses for the day will be Mrs. Nancy McCoil, Mrs. Bonnie Geissler and Mrs. Danielle Walsh. Mrs. Lori Grow will create the centerpiece.

Son Born To MacDowells

A son, Thomas Dean MacDowell, 2nd, was born on Sunday, December 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas MacDowell of Littleton, Massachusetts.

He joins two sisters, Kathryn and Jennifer MacDowell.

Mr. MacDowell is a Westfield High School graduate of the Class of 1970. Thomas' paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laughlin of Westfield.

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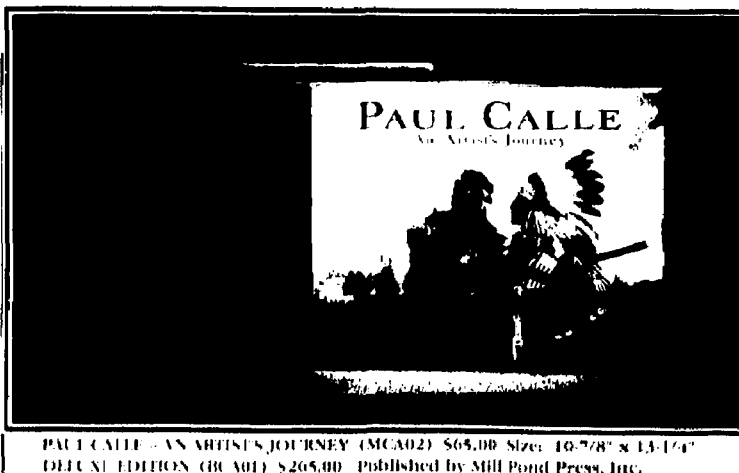
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Choral Art Society to Perform Puccini And Verdi at Saturday, January 16 Concert

Puccini's *Messa di Gloria* will be performed by the Choral Art Society of New Jersey as the season opener in their Annual Winter Concert at Westfield's First Presbyterian Church. Under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn Bleeke and Organist and Assistant Director, Mrs. Annette White, the concert will be held on Saturday, January 16, at 8 p.m.



Mrs. Evelyn Bleeke

Luckily for us, the fame of Puccini's operas, *La Bohème*, *Tosca* and *Madame Butterfly* did not quite overshadow this beautiful romantic *Messa di Gloria*. It is well-harmonized and full of spontaneous melodies. Written while a young man as Puccini's graduating thesis and as a tribute to four generations of Puccini family music, this mass holds within it the basis of Puccini's future musical style.

Thanks to an Italian-American Priest who, while researching a book in Italy, renewed and acquaintance with Puccini's musical secretary, the duo discovered this manuscript and brought it back to the United States, where it was first performed in Chicago on December 23, 1952. Its original Italian performance had been in 1879. The parts are well-balanced, chorally and orchestrally, full of beauty, color, clarity and blend — a lasting monument to the glory of God.

Juxtaposed against Puccini, the chorale will also perform Verdi's *Four Sacred Pieces*, Verdi's last published

work. This work was first performed in April of 1898, when Verdi was 85. The *Ave Maria* is based on scala enigmatica, and the "Laudi Alla Virgine" from Dante's "Paradiso" is a tranquil a capella setting for two sopranos and two contraltos. The "Stabat Mater" and "Te Deum" will be sung by full chorus with orchestra members culled from local towns.

Verdi was fascinated by 17th Century counterpoint. The beautiful "Stabat Mater" contains in it all that we love best about Verdi — charm, lyricism and warmth of heart. Outstanding is the baritone passage, "Quae morebat" to be sung by William Paul Michals.

Later, a beautiful setting of "Santa mater istud agas" leads to another burst of fury at the Crucifixion, after which comes the beautiful lyrical

section, "Tui Nati Vulnerati." A dramatic flourish concludes with one of the most thrilling climaxes of any work, the "Paradisi Gloria."

Mark Bleeke, tenor, is well-known internationally. He has sung with the Ensemble for Early Music and appeared as soloist in the Basically Bach Festival, with the Berkshire Choral Institute, and in many music festivals from Rome to Jerusalem. He will sing "Gratias Agimus Tibi" and "et incarnatus est in Credo."

William Paul Michals, a Cranford resident and winner of the Aspen Music Festival Competition in 1991, placed third in the five Town's Music and Arts Foundation Competition this year. He has performed solo with, among others, the Aspen Festival orchestra and the St. Elizabeth Chorus and Orchestra, including such operatic roles as Marcello in a New York production of *La Bohème* and in a Boston University production of *The Marriage of Figaro*.

Mr. Michals has studied dance with the New Jersey Ballet and played a variety of roles in regional theater, including *Phantom of the Opera* in Bucks County and *HMS Pinafore* in the Spring Lake Playhouse.

Mrs. Susan McNamara Faas, soprano, has a Master of Arts Degree in Music from Indiana University. She is a soloist at the First Presbyterian Church in Westfield and a Choral Art Society member these past nine years, where she sang solos in Haydn's *Theresa Mass* and Faure's *Requiem*. She has sung recitals with various local groups in churches and temples, including Temple Beth Shalom in New York and Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield as well as with the Westfield Glee Club.

Tickets are \$10 at the door or can be obtained by calling 322-7240. Tickets for senior citizens and students cost \$7.

B'nai B'rith Couples To Dine Together

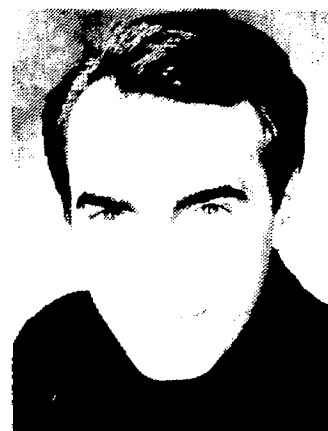
The Etz Chayim Married Couples Unit of B'nai B'rith will go out to dinner at Cafe Repetti's at 572 Boulevard, Kenilworth on Saturday, January 16, at 7:30 p.m. The cost of the evening will be the price of one's own meal. Non-members may join the group for dinner and a night of socializing.

Please telephone 668-1405 to reserve a place for dinner and for any questions.

Etz Chayim Unit still is selling the Northern and Central editions of *Entertainment '93*. Please telephone 668-1405 for a book.



Mark Bleeke



William Paul Michals

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\$150,000.

Named Steven Steinberg, J. Alan McGarry, Mrs. Diane Heelan and Richard Hunt to the Citizens Insurance Review Committee at fees of \$4,000 per member and \$4,500 for the Chairman for 1993.

Authorized the appointment of James Heimlich as Special Counsel for the Union County Planning Board for this year at a salary of \$21,000.

Freeholder Ertl abstained on the appointment of the legal newspapers, while joining the other two Democrats in voting against the appointments of the labor negotiator, the personnel counsel, the insurance committee, the insurance brokers and the Planning Board Counsel.



Wisconsin has about 15,000 lakes.

Mrs. Dowell's Photographs At Children's Specialized

An exhibit of photographs by Mrs. Lucinda Dowell is on display at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside throughout January.

Mrs. Dowell, a resident of Westfield, has photographed many famous people including Luciano Pavarotti and every President since Gerald Ford.

She studied with Yale Joel, the *Time-Life* photographer, and attended the School of the Visual Arts in New York City. Her photographs have won national awards and are part of a New Jersey display in Washington, D.C.

Individuals or groups wishing to visit the display, which is open to the public Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., may enter the hospital's East Wing entrance. For evenings or weekends, please telephone the hospital's Community Resource Coordinator, Mrs. Shirley Biegler, at 233-3720, extension 379.

The artist's works are for sale, with a portion benefiting the hospital. The hospital is located on New Providence Road.

Woman's Club Hosts Town Officials

Dr. Mark C. Smith, the Superintendent of Schools, and John F. Malloy, Jr., the Municipal Administrator, will address the monthly meeting of the Woman's Club of Westfield on Monday, January 11, at 1:15 p.m. in the Clubhouse at 318 South Euclid Avenue.

Dr. Smith and Mr. Malloy will discuss the subject, "Understanding Our Educational and Municipal Budgets and Their Tax Structure."

Guests may attend. This meeting will be of interest to men; therefore husbands also may attend.



CORN'S MANY USES... Volunteer, Mrs. Eileen O'Shea, left, will create cornhusk figures on Sunday at the Miller-Cory House Museum.

Miller-Cory to Feature Cornhusk Demonstrations

The Miller-Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield, will feature cornhusk figures on Sunday, January 10, from 2 to 4 p.m. The last tour will begin at 3:30 p.m.

Mrs. Eileen O'Shea will show visitors, step-by-step, how to create unique shapes from cornhusks. Mrs. O'Shea has served the museum in many capacities, including as a craft demonstrator for the museum's outreach program to schools.

Corn and its parts had an almost unlimited number of uses for farmers such as the Millers and Corys. Cornhusks often were used to stuff mattresses as well as being made into dolls and other toys.

Life during the winter months will

be explained by Mrs. Christine Glazer and Mrs. Nancy Schmidt while they guide visitors through the rooms of the 18th century farmhouse, a private home until 1972.

Although open-hearth cooking demonstrations at the museum cease during the winter months, a close-up presentation of a Colonial cooking technique will take place each Sunday in the main house.

The museum and gift shop will close at 4 p.m. during January and February.

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Mr. Love is completing his 20th year of continuous service to the board, having been a Director or officer during that entire time.

A third generation Westfield resident, Mr. Love has served on the Board of Directors of the Westfield "Y" for the past 22 years...

Education Fund of Westfield, the United Fund, the Ocean Gate Yacht Club, the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council and the 200 Club of Union County.

Mr. Love started his career in real estate in 1969 and opened his current firm, Century 21 Taylor & Love, in 1975.

Mr. Peterson has been a member of the Westfield Board of Realtors since 1951, serving in all the officer positions and gaining the presidency in 1957 and 1958.

Mr. Peterson founded the Peterson-Ringle Agency in Scotch Plains in 1950, ultimately selling to the Degnan Boyle Company five years ago.

He has had 40-year perfect attendance as a member of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club, where he has been the President. Mr. Peterson is also a Director and Past President of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Young Men's Christian Association...

These awards are presented annually to the Realtor and Realtor-Associate in each of the 33 Boards of Realtors in New Jersey...

Mr. Peterson previously was Realtor of the Year in 1968, and Mr. Love was awarded the title in both 1976 and 1985.



TOP REALTORS... Mrs. Luerissen, left, the President of the Westfield Board of Realtors, John Roger Love, second from left, the Realtor of the Year, and Pierre "Pete" Peterson...

Dr. Curran Appointed To Associate Dean Post

Dr. Anita S. Curran of Westfield, has been appointed the Associate Dean for Community Health at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey...

Her responsibilities include planning and implementing community-based healthcare and education programs in Central New Jersey.

Dr. Curran previously was the Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs at the medical school. She also is a professor of clinical environmental and community medicine...

The new Associate Dean serves as a consultant to the federal Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta on childhood lead poisoning, to the United States Environmental Protection Agency on its Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee...

Before joining the medical school in 1989, Dr. Curran served 10 years as the Commissioner of Health for the County of Westchester, New York, where she was one of the nation's first health officials to declare Lyme disease an epidemic...

Dr. Curran is a graduate of the University of Connecticut. She earned her Medical Degree at New York Medical College and a Master's Degree in Public Health at Columbia University School of Public Health...



Dr. Anita S. Curran

in New York City. She served a residency in preventive medicine and public health with the New York Department of Health.

The doctor is a Diplomate of the National Board of Medical Examiners and the American Board of Preventive Medicine.

Dr. Curran is active in several regional, state and local organizations. They include New Brunswick Tomorrow and Central New Jersey United Way, where she serves on the Board of Directors...

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Play Trains in Concert At High School Tomorrow

The Play Trains, the latest band to make it from Westfield High School will return to their roots tomorrow for a Radical Rock Reactionaries show.

Led by singer and songwriter Timothy Glynn, a 1988 graduate, the band has recorded an album for the independent label, Cinotra Records.

The Play Trains have been musically influenced by Paul Weller and Van Morrison.

The band has been slowly and successfully building a following on the New Jersey club scene, reports a spokesman.

Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. and the admission price is \$5.

Love does not consist in gazing at each other but in looking outward together in the same direction.

-Antoine de Saint-Exupéry



Sharks attack men ten times more often than they do women.

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Bash '93 Plans Begin For Graduation Party

Plans are underway for an all-night substance-free party for the seniors of Westfield High School on their graduation night, Wednesday, June 23.

The party, "Project Graduation — Bash '93," is being co-sponsored by the Optimist Club of Westfield, the Westfield High School Parent-

Teacher Organization and the Westfield Recreation Department. The purpose of Project Graduation is to avoid the automobile accidents that can occur from drinking and driving following traditional celebrations after events such as graduation.

"Last year's party was a great success by attracting 310 students or 90 per cent of the graduating class," noted project Chairman A. Donald Pray. "And we are hoping to surpass that level for the class of 1993."

The organizers have received an initial pledge of funding from the Optimist Club of Westfield and Ricochet Health and Racquet Club in South Plainfield has been reserved for the party.

The party will take place after graduation from 10 p.m. until 7 o'clock the next morning and bus transportation will be provided for the students departing from the high school. Activities available at the club include racquetball, swimming, squash, basketball, volleyball and Wallyball, which will be complemented by a live band, disc jockey, dancing, massages, removable tattoos, a lip-synch contest, laser Karaoke, live entertainment and other student-planned events.

Door prizes and food will be available continuously throughout the evening and the grand prize drawing, last year's was for an Apple Macintosh Classic II computer, will take place at breakfast.

Funding for Bash '93 will come from parent contributions, business and professional donations, grants



HOLIDAY LIGHTS... On behalf of the Westfield Service League, Mrs. Pauline Harris presents a check to William Moore, left, the holiday lights Chairman, while Robert L. Newell, the President of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce, looks on. "For many years, the Westfield Service League has been pleased to add to the seasonal glow in Westfield by contributing to the Holiday Lights Fund," Mrs. Harris, the league's Donations Chairman said. "We think everyone who works, shops and lives in Westfield enjoys the traditional Christmas decorations." Even as the tree-shaped displays are being returned to storage for next year, the chamber continues to receive donations to defray 1992 expenses. Checks in any amount, payable to Holiday Lights Fund, may be mailed to the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 81, Westfield, 07091.

from Parent-Teacher Organizations and clubs in town along with planned fund-raising events. The total budget for Bash '93 is approximately \$13,500.

Mrs. Maureen Mazzarese, a teacher at the high school, is the advisor to the project and is forming a senior student committee to work on the event.

A fund-raising "Quarter-A-Dip Dinner" will be held at the high school

caterina from 6 to 7:20 p.m. on Saturday, January 23, before the Westfield versus Kearny varsity basketball game.

A presentation to the high school Parent-Teacher Organization will take place on Wednesday, February 3, at 7:45 p.m. and a presentation to the entire senior class will occur at the high school on Thursday, February 4. Both presentations will include a video of last year's party.

Pet Welfare Organization Adoption Day Sunday

People for Animals, a non-profit, all-volunteer animal welfare organization, in association with other animal welfare groups, will sponsor a pet adoption open house on Sunday, January 10, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at its Low Cost Spay and Neuter Clinic in Hillside at 433 Hillside Avenue at the Bloy Street exit off Route No. 22, East.



Please telephone 241-4954 or 355-6374 for information.

Foster homes are needed for adult dogs.

The number of animals the group can help depends greatly on readers' assistance in offering a foster home. Many of the dogs have to be boarded at kennels because of a shortage of foster homes.

Just a few weeks of fostering is all that is asked. Please call 1-201-450-0291 for information about fostering.

WAITING FOR YOU... Bernie is a 1-year-old Saint Bernard mix who is housebroken, neutered and has his shots. He is great with children and other pets and was rescued from a shelter where his fate was uncertain. Readers will be able to adopt Bernie or one of the many other dogs and cats available for adoption on Sunday, January 10, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the People for Animals Clinic.

Former Mayor Stone Appointed Administrator

Raymond W. Stone, who served as the Mayor of Westfield from 1987 through 1990 and as a member of the Town Council representing the Third Ward from 1979 through 1984, has been selected to serve as the next Business Administrator of East Brunswick.

According to East Brunswick Mayor Ira Oskowsky, Mr. Stone, who was selected from a field of more than 50 candidates, will succeed current Township Administrator Jack Coughlin.

Mr. Coughlin was appointed by Mayor Oskowsky's predecessor, former Mayor Jack G. Sinagra, who now is a Republican State Senator representing Middlesex County.

Former Mayor Stone previously had worked for the National State Bank in Woodbridge, where the East Brunswick Mayor works, but they had been employed in different divisions of the bank.

The East Brunswick Mayor said Mr. Stone was named to the post because of his experience in business



Raymond W. Stone

and government. Appointed on Friday, Mr. Stone will receive an annual salary of \$73,500 for the township post. Mr. Coughlin was paid \$86,000 annually.

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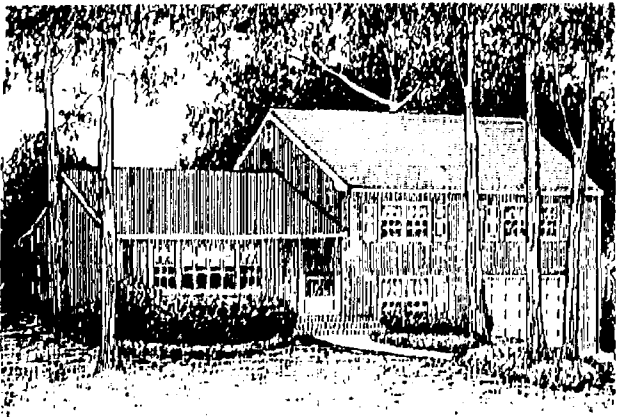
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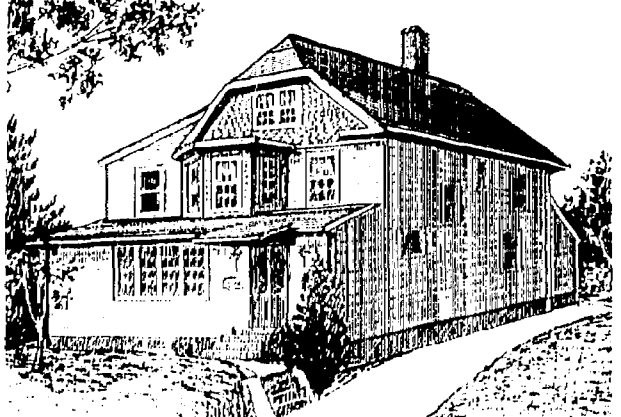
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Escotete Paintings Displayed at Hospital

An exhibit of paintings by Scott Jacobs, known in the art world as Escotete, will be on display at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside throughout January.

Escotete, a resident of Westfield, specializes in contemporary portraits. The owner of Reflections on Canvas in Westfield, Escotete attended the duCret School of Fine Art in Plainfield and Parsons School of Design in New York City.

Escotete's art is contained in the private collection of many well known

celebrities, including Joan Lunden. Individuals or groups wishing to view the display, which is open to the public Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. may enter the hospital's East Wing entrance; for evenings or weekends, please telephone the hospital's Community Resource Coordinator, Mrs. Shirley Biegler, at 233-3720, extension 379. The artist's works are for sale, with a portion benefiting the hospital. Children's Specialized is located on New Providence Road.

Here's Where to Find Those Who Serve You

Mayor Installs 24-Hour 'Hotline'

A telephone answering system is now installed on the direct line into Mayor Garland C. "Bud" Boothe Jr.'s office.

There is no answering machine — this is a New Jersey Bell service and it is in service 24 hours a day and the Mayor can access it from wherever he is. He is the only person who can access the messages.

The telephone number is 789-4046. The system goes on after four rings.

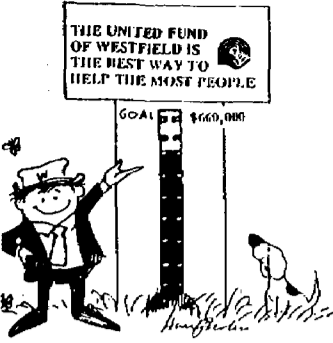
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The largest artificial lagoon in the U.S. is Lako Mead, located about 15 miles east of Las Vegas, Nevada.

Some Fascinating and Little-Known Facts About Squirrel Species



GOING UP...The United Fund of Westfield has raised \$513,837, or 78 per cent, of its goal of \$660,000 for 1992. "In order to assure our 19 member agencies receive the total allocations promised by the United Fund for 1993, we are counting on the support of all Westfielders to continue the tradition of response," noted the Board of Trustees. Pledge cards and contributions may be sent to 301 North Avenue, West, Westfield, 07090.

Night Place Returns On January 15

After breaking for the holiday season, the Night Place will return on Friday, January 15.

The program, sponsored by the Westfield Recreation Commission and the Parent-Teacher Council Night Place Committee, will be held at Edison Intermediate School from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock for all sixth through eighth graders.

The Night Place features a variety of activities including a disc jockey with dancing, food, ping-pong, basketball, movies, volleyball and games. Tickets will be on sale at the intermediate schools the week of the event.

Those planning to attend should purchase tickets in advance.

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

Republicans to Host Freeholder Chairman

Miss Linda Lee Kelly, the Chairman of the Union County Freeholder Board, will be the guest speaker at the Republican Women of Union County's next meeting on Wednesday, January 13 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Republican Headquarters at 501 North Avenue, Garwood.

The public may attend and participate.

Nature is a source of strength. We know the sunshine and touch the earth. We have ears to listen to the secrets. We need only to learn how.

Arthur Dobrin

Many homeowners in Westfield are very familiar with the meanderings of the common tree squirrel, but they probably don't know about the varied habits of these creatures and the many species into which the tree squirrel kingdom is divided.

The Eastern gray squirrels, which number five in species, have cousins, known as Western gray squirrels, which are divided into three subspecies.

The Western gray squirrels frequent the pine and oak trees upon whose seeds they feed.

Tufted-eared squirrels, of which there are four, possess not only long-haired ear tufts, but also a showy color pattern and an attraction for the Southern Rockies.

There are 10 species and subspecies of fox squirrels, which are the largest and most variable in color pattern of all American tree squirrels.

Red squirrels, which are as common in the West as the gray squirrel is here, sometimes jump 100 feet from tree to tree.

They flatten their bodies, rigidly extending behind them the tail, which steers them in the manner that feathers control the flight of an arrow.

If they trip, they may fall great distances without receiving a visible injury.

The 12-inch red squirrel, also known as the chickaree or pine squirrel, will swim for as much as a mile to get away from something which is pursuing it. It thrives in any area where trees are found.

The red squirrel easily snatches bread, peanut butter or other campers' supplies, no matter which obstacles are placed in its path.

Some species also consume birds' eggs and young, and they also eat grasshopper and other insects as well as seeds, berries, buds and nuts.

These clever creatures do not hibernate, but remain in their nests, which may be grass-lined tree crotches reinforced with smaller branches or the hollows of decayed trees, during the coldest days of the winter.

In fact, during the cold months of February and March the red squirrels seek their mates, and in the spring or early summer the young are born blind, with large heads and naked bodies.

The young are nursed by the mother until sometime in August, and both parents help in feeding and defending them for several months until they are able to care for themselves.

If the young must be moved, the mother squirrel transports them one at a time, grasping the loose skin on the belly while the youngsters curl their legs and tails around her neck.

Red squirrels can become the prey of martens, foxes, hawks and wildcats. They also are preyed upon by many parasites such as fleas, although they clean themselves fastidiously.

Reforestation in areas populated by the creatures is not easy, however, because they may remove the seeds as fast as they are laid down. They also may eat the young buds of flowers

and trees.

The creatures also aid the natural balance of woodlands by burying nuts and seeds where they may sprout in the spring.



FANWOOD • A split ranch with 3 BRs, an oak EIK, large FR/DR that exits to the deck & fenced yard + wall to wall carpet, security system & garage door opener. \$184,900.



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Mayor Boothe Praises Efforts of Volunteers in Making Town Function Better

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verbatim from messages delivered here 30 years ago by the then-Mayor, the late Burr A. Towl, Jr. You will note the same themes then as now — a unique town founded on the volunteer effort of many.

Just a year ago when I took office, I summarized the major projects under way that I wished to see advanced and implemented during my administration. Most of these are heavily dependent on the volunteer efforts of Westfielders. Let's see where we stand on these projects today.

Starting near the Municipal Building, the Mindowaskin Park renovation project is well under way.

The town will be making important but unglamorous capital improvements such as roadways, curbing, grading and drainage.

The Friends of Mindowaskin Park Committee, chaired by Councilwoman, Mrs. Margaret C. Sur, have been hard at work and very successful in raising private and corporate funds for enhancements to the park; everything from major gifts to the Adopt-A-Foot program at \$10 per square foot.

The Downtown Committee formed by my predecessor, Mayor and now-Assemblyman Richard H. Bagger, has been very hard at work. It examined many alternative programs for revitalizing our downtown area before settling upon the Main Street New Jersey program.

The committee, to which Councilmen Norman N. Greco and Gary G. Jenkins have contributed much time and effort, has assembled an amazing amount of information about Westfield and downtown Westfield which will be the basis for our application.

The committee for additional senior citizens housing, also appointed by Mayor Bagger, which I chaired, spent many hours and many meetings investigating alternative ways of financing a second project to supplement the 172-unit facility we have had on Boynton Avenue since 1978.

The committee made its report to the Town Council and the council implemented this report by authorizing a consultant. The consultant and committee have moved ahead; putting out requests for proposals and qualifications to interested builders and developers, and responses are awaited within the next couple of weeks. Councilman Jenkins serves with me on this project.

Council members have been working very hard on other matters which are important to Westfield.

The Traffic, Transportation and Parking Committee, chaired by Councilman Kenneth L. MacRitchie, and our Finance Chairman, Councilman James J. Gruba, has been considering the issues which are wrapped up in whether or not Westfield should have a parking deck.

First and foremost are how do we pay for it, how do we finance it and how do we maintain it? Related questions include how it should be designed, how it should be operated and traffic problems.

This committee also has aided me in advancing a project that goes back to former Mayor Raymond W. Stone, namely doing something about replacing the Southside traffic circle, which has not changed since it was built sometime in the dawn of history.

The committee has helped me in developing a Westfield consensus, and a design solution which is acceptable to the Westfield community. With this in hand, I have gone to the Board of Chosen Freeholders for their concurrence. As soon as we get that, we will go to Trenton, and assisted by our legislative delegation and others I am confident we will be able to move this project forward in the months and years to come.

Some upcoming 1993 events:

In about a month we will receive our new ladder truck for the Westfield Fire Department, replacing the snorkel. This was a big investment, but the truck should serve the town for another 20 or 25 years.

We also will be getting a new superior computer for the Police Department, paid for in large part by proceeds from narcotic seizures. The need for these two items was studied extensively by the Public Safety Committee chaired by Councilman James Hely.

In the near future we will have an open house for the renovated Municipal Building. The most obvious improvement is the community room where the old Children's Library was, which will be available for community use.

Equally important is renovation of the police department area, which had been virtually unchanged since this building was dedicated in 1954, almost 40 years ago.

Both the size and the demands upon our police department have increased dramatically over that period, and we want our police to receive the support and facilities they need to serve this town.

Final revisions to our land-use plan are underway in the Laws and Rules

Committee, which Councilman Panagos continues to chair in addition to serving on the Planning Board.

A word about the perennial subject of insurance. Westfield is joining with a number of other suburban municipalities in investigating the feasibility, benefits, risks and costs of becoming part of a suburban insurance pool, with an umbrella over that, which may extend to all aspects of municipal insurance: Liability, property, health benefits, workman's compensation.

This, I emphasize, is not self insurance because, self-insurance means no insurance, and I firmly believe a town of 28,000 has no business in the insurance business and assuming horrendous risks on its own.

Several pools now are in operation in New Jersey, and we will study their experience and operation carefully.

Returning to the theme of Westfield volunteerism, the efforts of many on boards and commissions, such as the Recreation Commission, the Library Board, the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment, the Board of Health, Community Development representatives, and others, all require incredible amounts of time from Westfield people, time the town could not begin to pay for if we had to.

In order to recognize these efforts, I am inaugurating a recognition program, distributing to Westfield municipal volunteers a lapel pin which has the Westfield town seal on it.

It is intended to be a mark of distinction, a way of identifying that the wearer is part of the Westfield municipal community and is making a contribution that way to this town.

Obviously, many people involved in many other activities also contribute to Westfield; people who work for church activities, soccer and baseball leagues, the Board of Education and Parent-Teacher Organization, and so on.

The cutoff I am using is anyone who must file a statement under the recently-adopted ethics law or who otherwise holds an appointment by the Mayor, the council or the administration, including people who served in 1992 as well as those going into 1993.

These pins will in due course be distributed or mailed out to them. I hope they will be worn to reflect pride in Westfield as well as pride in the work the wearer is doing himself or herself.

All of this leads me to the future and in particular to our bicentennial. I am very excited about Westfield's bicentennial in 1994. I am very pleased and excited about the steering committee, headed by Mrs. Linda Maggio, which has agreed to present or oversee many activities.

Our year-long celebration next year is enthusiastically supported by the school system, the historical society and everyone else in contact with it. It is intended to instill a sense of pride and heritage in our residents. It also is intended to be a lot of fun, and hopefully will provide modest funds to renovate the town-owned Reeve House on Mountain Avenue.

The committee already has had a number of meetings and a lot of activities are underway, but there is room for more activities and more participation — by individuals and by groups.

In 1976, for the nation's bicentennial, we had over 150 activities and functions which in one way or another were associated with the bicentennial effort.



The abacus was used by the ancient Greeks and Romans as well as the Chinese.



The eagle uses the same nest year after year, adding new material each year.

In 1994 it is our plan to have at least 200 functions of all kinds which will operate under the Westfield Bicentennial motif.

Again, this is a town-wide volunteer effort; everybody is invited to participate; any number can play and all of us want to have a good time with it.

In closing, I would like to repeat what Mayor Towl said 30 years ago: A very solemn obligation rests upon me, and on the other elected officials of our town, the obligation of giving Westfield an administration dedicated to serve the best interest of all of its citizens.

I pray the decisions which are made in this dedication will be in accord with God's will.

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