

UCUA Announces Schedule For Household Waste Days

The Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA) will sponsor three Spring 1998 Household Special Waste Days, according to Chairman James J. Kennedy.

The first event will be held on Saturday, April 18, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cranford Municipal Pool, on Centennial Avenue in Cranford.

The second program will be held on Saturday, May 2, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Springfield Municipal Pool on Morrison Road, Springfield.

The final event for the spring will be held on Saturday, June 13, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Union at the Department of Public Works Yard on Swanstrom Place.

Information regarding cancellation of any of the events due to severe inclement weather will be available by calling the authority at (732) 382-9400 after 3 p.m. on the Friday before the event.

There is no cost to participate; however, pre-registration with the

UCUA is mandatory. The disposal of household special waste is open to Union County residents only. Proof of residency is required.

Acceptable household special waste includes oil-based paints and varnishes, pool chemicals, corrosives and cleaners, pesticides and herbicides, caustics, solvents, thinners, aerosol cans, asphalt sealers, fire extinguishers, flammable liquids and solids.

Other acceptable items are motor oil, gasoline, motor oil filters, automotive products, batteries, propane tanks, fluorescent bulbs (unbroken), thermostats and mercury switches.

Only materials in their original or labeled containers will be accepted. No containers larger than five gallons or empty containers will be accepted.

In addition, unidentified materials, explosives, radioactive materials, gas cylinders or materials containing polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) will not be accepted.

Latex paint will not be collected at Household Special Waste Days. The authority is sponsoring a separate Latex Paint Collection Day to be held at the Westfield Municipal Pool on Scotch Plains Avenue on Saturday, May 16, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

At this event, latex paint will be accepted in the original paint can and in containers no larger than five gallons. This event is open to Union County residents only. No commercial contractors will be permitted. Pre-registration is also required for this event.

All Union County schools will also be able to dispose of their laboratory chemical waste at Household Special Waste Days for a nominal charge.

In order to participate, schools must contact the UCUA at least two weeks before an event for more information and to register.

For more information or to register, residents may call the UCUA at (732) 382-9400.



LANDMARK EVENT... Mayor Thomas C. Jardim of Westfield presents former Union County Freeholder Carol I. Cohen with watercolor scenes of Westfield by a local artist, along with a Westfield lapel pin, on the occasion of her being sworn in as County Counsel. She is the first woman to be appointed to the position of counsel in the county's 140-year history. A pin symbolizing the women's movement and those who have broken the "glass ceiling," which has traditionally separated women from men in higher positions, was presented by County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi on behalf of the New Jersey Women's Political Caucus.

Toastmasters Reveal Speakers for Tonight

Gino Merendino of Linden, Bob Fontaine of Roselle and David Cohen of Westfield are the scheduled speakers at Toastmasters of Westfield tonight, Thursday, March 26, at 8 p.m.

Evaluators scheduled for the meeting are Jane Boyer of Westfield, Noel Crawford of Mountainside and Joe Sarzillo of Carteret.

The scheduled Grammarian is Fred Meyer of Scotch Plains and the Timer will be Ed Becmer of Westfield. Jim Vandewater of Union will give the Opener.

Toastmasters meets in the First Savings Bank on South Avenue in Fanwood, across from the train station. The entrance to the downstairs meeting room is through the ATM Room.

The club provides a supportive and positive learning environment for men and women to learn the arts of speaking, listening and thinking, according to spokesman Jack Pfanne.

For more information, please call Mr. Pfanne at (908) 276-7935.

Financial Abuse of Seniors Topic of Cable TV Show

In April, Union County's cable television program for senior citizens will discuss the prevention of financial abuse of the elderly.

"This is a terrible problem that Union County has been addressing," said Freeholder Lewis Mingo, Jr., Liaison to the county's Advisory Council on Aging.

"We urge everyone to watch this show and learn about what is being done," he added.

Freeholder Mingo noted that the show, "Vintage Viewers," will feature "Community Partners to Prevent Abuse," a program which has successfully addressed the problem.

Program host Lou Coviello will interview Grace Egan, project director of the New Jersey Association of Area Agencies on Aging's Elderly Abuse and Neglect Project, and Susan Cronk, program manager of Union County's Adult Protective

Live Wolf to Head County's Ninth Annual Wildlife Sunday

A live wolf will be the "headliner" at Union County's ninth annual Wildlife Sunday at Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountainside on Sunday, April 5, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Union County Freeholder Alexander Mirabella said that a representative from Wolf Visions, an organization dedicated to the education, preservation and restoration of wolves, will bring the special guest as part of a presentation dispelling the myths and legends about the "Big Bad Wolf."

"Visitors will be able to learn from a wolf education booth with real wolf tracks. There also will be handouts for all ages," said Freeholder Mirabella, Freeholder liaison to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, noting that a discussion by Vinnie Reo of Wolf Visions will emphasize the importance of wolves to the ecosystem.

County Manager Michael Lapolla said that the special day is dedicated to all kinds of wildlife, with a variety of demonstrations, nature walks, planetarium shows, and ongoing activities for families.

"One of the other topics will be what to do if you find an injured animal in your yard," he said, explaining that Renee Thomair from Born Free Wildlife Care will address this issue and explain the role of wildlife rehabilitators, who are licensed by



FROM A WOLF'S PERSPECTIVE... Wolf painting, by wildlife artist Jill Sutherland, who will have her paintings displayed and for purchase at Wildlife Sunday at Trailside Nature & Science Center.

the state to care for and release orphaned and injured wildlife.

Bird banding with Glenn and Eileen Mahler will show how the retrieval of leg bands helps provide information on songbird migration routes and travel time, while Grant Stiles of Stiles Apiaries will bring a colony of honeybees for up-close observation.

The Newark Bait & Flycasting Club will present a hands-on fishing clinic designed to show participants a variety of different fishing techniques, bait and lures, and Ruth Yablonsky of Trailside, will introduce everyone to some of the Nature Center's own native snakes.

Turtle Back Zoo of West Orange will bring many animals to touch, and hawks and owls from the Avian Wildlife Center of Wantage will be on display. New Jersey Fish, Game & Wildlife, the Nature Conservancy and Jenkinson's Aquarium of Point Pleasant will also be setting up interesting displays and providing valuable information.

During Wildlife Sunday, families can go on nature walks in search of animal signs, go birdwatching with members of the Greater Watchung Nature Club, or discover what they can do to attract birds and butterflies to their own backyard.

Children's activities will include face-painting, wildlife crafts and the opportunity to have their picture taken while posing as a hanging bat.

Admission to Wildlife Sunday is \$2 per person, with children 6 and under admitted for free. Trailside, located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside, is a facility of the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

Please call (908) 789-3670 for information on this event, as well as on the variety of upcoming spring and summer camp programs.

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NEW ROTARIANS...Two new members were recently inducted into the Rotary Club of Westfield. Pictured, left to right, are: Rotarian William B. Bonsall, new Rotarians George F. Kraemer and Michael Davoren, and club President D. Michael Hart. Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Hart sponsored Mr. Kraemer and Mr. Davoren, respectively.

New Members are Inducted Into Westfield Rotary Club

George F. Kraemer and Michael Davoren were inducted into the Rotary Club of Westfield at a recent regular weekly meeting of the organization.

A native New Jerseyan, Mr. Kraemer attended Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights and graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Rutherford, where he majored in finance and economics and received a master's degree in accounting from the University of Nevada.

He is the owner of Affiliated Travel International and Millennium Computer Associates, Inc., both of Westfield. The companies specialize in vacation and corporate travel and small business and family computer training, respectively.

Mr. Kraemer has resided in Westfield with his wife, Jean, for 18 years. They have a son, George, a 17-year-old junior at Westfield High School, and a daughter, Jessica, who is a freshman at Kent Place School in Summit. Mr. Kraemer is a member of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Davoren was born in New York City and is a graduate of St. John's University, University College and the School of Law.

He is a Vice President of PNC Bank in the Westfield Private Banking office, where he specializes in the administration of living and testamentary trusts.

The new Rotarian has resided in Westfield with his wife, Helen, and two sons, Doug and Steve, since 1970.

Craft Show Slated for April 4 By Alumni, Student Leaders

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Alumni Association and the Student Leadership Conference are sponsoring a craft show on Saturday, April 14, at the high school.

The alumni association was started four years ago to promote and encourage scholarship leadership, education and fellowship between students and alumni.

They have set up a scholarship fund and also help and promote activities such as the Renaissance Program at the high school. The proceeds from the craft show will go toward their project funds.

The conference consists of approxi-

mately 12 students from each grade level who are selected to participate in a three-day leadership training program. The students are not asked to pay for their participation in the program so proceeds from the craft show will go towards the expense of the program.

The Craft Show will have crafters from New Jersey and Pennsylvania displaying and selling a wide variety of hand made craft items.

There will also be a kitchen serving a light breakfast and lunch, a cake sale, face painting for the youngsters as well as a visit from the Easter Bunny. Pictures will be taken during the show with the Easter Bunny.

Screening of Documentary On Robeson Set for March 31

NJN Public Television will present a sneak preview of the documentary, "Speak of Me as I Am," about the life of Paul Robeson, as a work-in-progress at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center's Victoria Theater in Newark on Tuesday, March 31, at 7 p.m.

The son of a runaway slave, Robeson was born on April 9, 1898 in Princeton, and resided in Westfield from 1907 to 1910, later graduating from Somerville High School. He won an academic scholarship to Rutgers University, where he excelled as a scholar and an athlete, and delivered the commencement address as class valedictorian in 1919.

Robeson, who died in 1976, later won international renown as a performing artist and human rights activist. His father was Pastor of St. Luke African Methodist Episcopal Church in Westfield.

"His travels around the world made him more aware of the racism and

prejudice in the United States and he became an ardent critic of discrimination, engaging in the civil rights struggles in the late 1940s and paving the way for the civil rights movement of the 1960s," a spokesman for NJN said.

The completed version of the hour-long documentary will have its world premiere on NJN Public Television on Thursday, April 9, at 9 p.m., the day on which Robeson was born 100 years ago.

Locally, a Paul Robeson Centennial Service will be held at St. Luke Church on Sunday, April 5. The service will begin at 4 p.m.

Anyone interested in purchasing a copy of "Speak of Me as I Am" for educational purposes may call NJN Video at (609) 777-5093.

For ticket information regarding the screening of the work-in-progress at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, please call (800)-GO-NJPAC.

Library Friends Seek Books For Sale to Begin March 31

The Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library are seeking people to donate and purchase books at the organization's annual book sale, to be held in the Program Room at the library, 550 East Broad Street in Westfield.

Starting tomorrow, Friday, March 27, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., donors are asked to bring paperbacks and hardcover books to the sale site. Donations also will be accepted on Saturday, March 28, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Monday, March 30, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Donors are asked not to submit textbooks, records, tapes, condensed works or damaged books.

The sale itself kicks off on Tuesday, March 31, from 9 a.m. to noon with a members' preview. Memberships to the Friends' organization may be purchased at the door during that time.

The general sale starts that day from 1 to 9 p.m. and continues on Wednesday, April 1, and Thursday,

Jill Goldberger Makes Dean's List at Ithaca

Jill Goldberger of Westfield was recently named to the Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester at Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York.

She is a member of the Class of 1999 and is majoring in acting.

Ithaca College is the largest private residential college in New York state, with 5,700 students and 495 faculty members.



A GROUP EFFORT...Pictured with Westfield Mayor Thomas C. Jardim, as he signs a town proclamation declaring March 15 through the 21st as Drug Awareness Week in Westfield, are community volunteers from the Junior Optimist Club, Boy Scouts Troop No. 73 and the Dream Makers program at the Westfield Neighborhood Council who helped to make Drug Awareness Week a success. Pictured, left to right are: Sara Finestein, Mikaela Cruz, Paige Corbett, Mayor Jardim, Callie Avis, Alfred Riker, Ivan Villafane and Lucy Fromling.

PTA Council Reveals Date For BOE Candidates Night

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Council will host a Board of Education Candidates' Night on Thursday, April 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School on Westfield Road in Scotch Plains.

Five candidates are running for two seats in Scotch Plains. They are Jean McAllister, Lance Porter, Thomas Randazzo, Norman A. Ross and Board of Education President Dr. Donald E. Sheldon.

Richard R. Meade is running unopposed for the seat in Fanwood. The evening will begin with the introduction of the candidates by program moderator Margaret Walker of the Westfield Area League of Women Voters.

Each candidate will then have the opportunity to make his or her own introductory remarks, including their reasons for running for the Board of Education.

The PTA Council has posed two questions to the candidates. The first question deals with class size and the candidates' ideas on funding and space limitations. The second question asks for the candidates' stance on grouping students by their abilities.

The Junior States Association, an organization of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School students, has posed one question concerning which issues the candidates feel should be addressed.

Candidates will answer these questions and then the forum will be opened to questions from the audience. All residents of the community are invited to attend this event.

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Letters to the Editor

Magnet Schools Should be Removed From Under the Vo-Tech Umbrella

Editor's Note: The enclosed letter (in a slightly different form) was sent to Senator Robert Martin, Chairman of the New Jersey Senate Education Committee, with copies going to various local and state government and education officials.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Parent Teacher Association Council has serious concerns regarding the Union County Magnet High School for Science, Mathematics and Technology and all magnet schools statewide that are funded through vocational-technical districts.

Vocational-technical schools were originally designed to meet the needs of students not going on to college. Magnet schools fall outside this intent and definition.

Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School offers a strong program of mathematics, science, and technology, including college prep and Advanced Placement courses.

Programs at the magnet school duplicate what is already offered in the district and, unfettered by countless state mandates, the magnet school unfairly competes with Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School for top students.

Due in part to extensive marketing by the magnet school, response has been

strong; moreover, enrollment is not capped at two students per sending district per year as promised, but enrollment is apparently unlimited.

This year the magnet school has six Scotch Plains-Fanwood students, which translates into \$36,000 in tuition payments from the district budget.

While the departure of six students insignificantly reduces local operating costs, a very significant \$36,000 in resources is lost to their local peers. When the magnet school is in full operation, our district may have to cope with a whopping budget cut of as much as \$144,000 plus transportation costs.

Should we cut the advanced science, mathematics, and technology classes that the magnet school duplicates? What can we say to those children who remain and whose resources have been plundered?

We object to the burden of locally paying for select students to attend what is in effect a private school, free of the regulatory burdens other schools bear. We ask for legislation to remove magnet schools from the vo-tech umbrella and to devise a magnet school funding plan that does not penalize those students who remain in district schools.

Mary O'Connor,
Corresponding Secretary
Scotch Plains-Fanwood Parent
Teacher Association Council



A VOICE FOR CHILDREN...Esther Jennis of Westfield is congratulated by Family Court Judge Thomas Zampino of the Superior Court of New Jersey in Essex County, after being sworn in as a Court Appointed Special Advocate for children in foster care.

Esther Jennis Takes Oath As Advocate for Children

Westfield resident Esther Jennis was sworn in as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) on March 1 by Family Court Judge Thomas Zampino of the Superior Court of New Jersey in Essex County.

A CASA volunteer is a special advocate for a child in foster care, who helps to make sure abused and neglected children reach a safe and permanent home with relatives, birth parents or an adoptive family. The next volunteer training session will start on Saturday, May 2.

CASA volunteers help foster children and their families receive the services they need, and help move these cases through the child welfare system quickly, according to Executive Director Caroline Jacobus.

They investigate the case, inter-

view pertinent people, make independent recommendations to the court as to what is in the child's best interest and monitor the case until the child is settled in a permanent home, Ms. Jacobus said.

After a careful screening, prospective volunteers will be trained to prepare them for their role, Ms. Jacobus explained. They receive ongoing support and supervision.

CASA volunteers may be full-time employees, retirees, homemakers or professionals. The hours are flexible and the only requirement is concern for a child's future, the Executive Director maintained.

CASA is a non-profit organization and supports its work through contributions and grants. For more information about becoming a volunteer, please call the Essex County CASA office at (973) 693-6785 or visit the CASA web site at www.casaessex.org.

Elizabeth Giameo Named to Dean's List

Elizabeth Giameo of Westfield has been named to the Dean's List at Villanova University in Villanova, Pennsylvania for the 1997 fall semester. A sophomore, Elizabeth is majoring in finance.

Twenty-Seven Join Ranks Of CONTACT Volunteers

Twenty seven men and women from throughout Union, Middlesex and Somerset Counties were commissioned as new telephone hotline volunteers for CONTACT We Care, when the non-profit agency held its Annual Meeting and Commissioning Service on March 3 in Westfield.

The new volunteers had attended CONTACT's volunteer training class during the past year, according to spokeswoman Arlene Klemow.

"It is so inspiring for all of us involved with CONTACT We Care to witness this latest commissioning service and to have new volunteers join our ranks," said Ross Royce of Edison, Board President of the 24-hour telephone hotline service.

"These 27 compassionate men and women have taken significant steps toward helping their fellow man and making a difference in people's lives by offering the gift of listening," he added.

CONTACT We Care, established in 1975, is a free, confidential service available to anyone needing a listening ear. Volunteers are required to attend 50 hours of training in order to learn how to actively listen and deal with a broad range of human needs, the spokeswoman said.

Volunteers are supervised by a licensed professional social worker, and must approach their work in an open and nonjudgmental way, according to the spokeswoman.

"CONTACT volunteers are very special people," said the Reverend Dr. Darla Dee Turlington, Minister of Christian Education and Evangelism at the First Baptist Church in Westfield, as well as a CONTACT board member.

"They truly give of themselves, and offer loving acceptance and empathetic identification as they listen, hear and reflect back the caller's feelings," she continued.

"CONTACT and its volunteers are special in another way, too; in its willingness to use spiritual resources," said Reverend Turlington. "This sets CONTACT apart from many secular organizations."

"The caller's spirituality is one of many tools that a CONTACT volunteer may utilize to facilitate a caller in working through their problems," she explained.

"The telephone workers of CONTACT offer a safe place where troubled people who have nowhere to turn catch a glimmer of hope and start to rebuild some sense of their own worth."

Spelling Bee Winners Are Told By SP Recreation Department

The Scotch Plains Recreation Department of Parks, in conjunction with the Scotch Plains Junior Woman's Club, sponsored a spring spelling bee for grades 3, 4 and 5 March 14 at the Scotch Hills Country Clubhouse.

Winners in the third grade spelling bee were: first place, Cristina Boggs, a student in the J. Ackerman Coles Elementary School, and second place, Christopher Polhamus, attending McGinn.

For the fourth graders the winner was Liza Katz of Brunner Elementary School, with Sarah Halpern of McGinn Elementary School finishing second. She was first as a competitor in the third grade contest, as well as in the fourth grade fall spelling bee.

The fifth grader winner, also a repeat champion in first place, was Christine Lomiguen from St. Bartholomew's Interparochial School.

The second place for fifth graders was Jacqueline Macri, also a student at St. Bart's.

All winners received certificates of participation and "shiny apple" awards for Burger King meals, as well as gift certificates to be redeemed at the Town Book Store in Westfield. Judges were Mandy Holanda and Regina O'Connor from the Junior Woman's Club.

Moderator was Laura Swidersky, Recreation Supervisor.

PTA, PTO Members Should Ensure Kids' Safety by Purchasing Cell Phones

Editor's Note: The following letter was addressed to all Westfield Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) and Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) members with a copy sent to The Westfield Leader.

Westfield First Ward Councilwoman Gail S. Vernick, Chairwoman of the Public Safety Committee, is sponsoring a program that enhances the safety of our school children as they walk to and from school each day. I am referring to the special cellular telephones that have been donated to crossing guards throughout town.

As Chairwoman of The BRAKES Group of Westfield, I strongly support this program. Its benefits are twofold. First, in the case of an emergency, a crossing guard can call for help immediately. A quick response to an emergency situation can make the difference in reducing or eliminating serious injury.

Second, and perhaps more important, the phones enable the crossing guards to prevent emergencies. Being able to report reckless driving behavior might make the difference in preventing emergencies altogether. The police cannot be everywhere. With help from crossing guards, the most egregious drivers can be stopped before they cause a serious accident in our town.

I ask that each of you be instrumental in donating enough phones for each of the crossing guards that support your school. After the initial purchase of the phone, no further costs will be incurred by the Parent-Teacher Association/Parent-Teacher Organization.

A 911 call is free. Any costs incurred in calling the police station will be paid for by the town. The telephones are \$180 each. Checks should be made out to Bell Atlantic. The police department will complete the paperwork.

I hope you will do everything possible to equip your professional school crossing guards with the tools they need to

ensure the safety of the children of your school district Thank you for your support.

Sara E. Strohecker
Chairwoman
The BRAKES Group of Westfield

Coalition Extends Thanks to Sponsors Of Upcoming Walk to End Hunger

The Coalition for Hunger Awareness of Union and Somerset Counties wishes to publicly thank the many local firms which have responded positively to the ongoing invitation to sponsor the 1998 Rally Walk to End Hunger, scheduled for Sunday, May 3, in Mindowaskin Park in Westfield.

The Coalition is an interfaith group of congregations, non-profit and civic groups organized in 1992 to raise funds to alleviate hunger by supporting local food pantries and soup kitchens, and to promote public awareness of the hunger problem in our community.

These generous firms include AT&T, Irma's Bag, Anthony James Construction, Park Place Restaurant, Trader Joe's, Martinsville Inn Caterers, Ditschman Flemington Ford, Exogen, A.Gelfond & Co., Condor Capital, Ortalis Corporation, S. Seltzer Construction, George Ulanet Co., Union County Florist Supplies, Great

Finds and Chase Manhattan Bank.

In addition, we thank the Somerville Rotary Club, the Wilf Family Foundation, Congregation Beth Israel and its Sisterhood, as well as Temple Har Shalom, along with several individuals for their generous sponsorship support.

There is still time before the walk for interested business, civic or religious groups and individuals to join as sponsors. Please call Luis Fleischman at (908) 889-5335 for more information.

Civic and school groups, as well as individuals interested in participating in the walk, may also call Mr. Fleischman for details. And again, a big thank you to all our current sponsors which have joined us as we strive to alleviate hunger in our community.

Michelle Ehrich
Co-Chairwoman,
Coalition for
Hunger Awareness

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The Leader on the Internet

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IN THE PLANNING...Scotch Plains resident Stephen Kendall, left, recently joined Philip Hunrath, a member of the Board of Directors of the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, Parsippany, for the chapter's sixth annual Polo Classic kickoff planning meeting at Pal's Cabin in West Orange.

Miller-Cory Slates Program On Spinning and Weaving

The Miller-Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield will feature spinning and weaving, along with open-hearth cooking, on Sunday, March 29, from 2 to 5 p.m.

It is believed that the first spinning wheel evolved in India about 1,000 years ago. Introduced in Germany in the early 16th century, the treadle type of spinning wheel made it possible for the spinner to have both hands free to draw the fiber while in a sitting position.

Barbara Flexner of West Orange will explain how to use a spinning wheel for producing finished threads.

Not all households in New Jersey during the 18th and 19th centuries owned a loom. Threading the loom was tedious. Some prepared the threads for local or itinerant weavers.

Many of New Jersey's early families brought weaving patterns known as drafts from England and other parts of Europe, and later developed new patterns in America. Among the woven items listed on Joseph Cory's 1802 inventory were three tablecloths, one set of curtains, seven sheets and five pillow cases.

Members of the museum's cooking committee will prepare seasonal foods over the open-hearth, using authentic Colonial-era recipes and methods.

Visitors will be able to enjoy taste treats as prepared by the cooks while learning about Colonial-era cooking techniques.

The museum gift shop offers many early-American reproductions, games, books, and educational items.

Costumed docents will answer questions about life in early America while guiding visitors through the restored historical farmhouse built in 1740.

On Sunday, April 5, the museum will feature early American hat boxes with Eileen O'Shea of Summit, as well as open-hearth cooking.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer at the museum may call the museum office at (908) 232-1776.

For further information about the museum and its schedule of events, please call the museum office. Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students six years of age and older. Children under age six will be admitted free.



SCOUT VISIT...Members of Cub Scout Pack No. 673 from Jefferson Elementary School recently toured the Union County Police headquarters in Westfield. The scouts, all third graders, were able to see a holding cell, the armory, lie detector and communications equipment, and police vehicles during their visit. Pictured with tour leader Captain Daniel Vaniska of the Union County Police, clockwise from bottom left, are Bear Den No. 5 scouts Matt Bogen, Luke Hammond, Kevin O'Rourke, Brian Bayne and Mat Leonard.

Township Resident Member Of Committee for Polo Classic

Scotch Plains resident Stephen Kendall and fellow members of the planning committee for the sixth annual Alzheimer's Polo Classic are currently organizing the annual fundraiser, scheduled for Sunday, June 28.

The polo match, hosted by the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, will be held at the Hillsborough Country Club in Flemington.

The Polo Classic will provide an afternoon for hundreds of families, friends and Chapter supporters, tailgate picnics, antique and classic cars, hot air balloons and children's entertainment including face painting, pony rides, clowns and games, beginning at 1 p.m.

In addition, CBS-AM radio anchor Therese Crowley, this year's guest of honor, will perform "The Star Spangled Banner" as she officially opens the Polo Classic at 3 p.m.

Mr. Kendall has been working with the Polo Classic committee since March on such tasks as selling tickets, securing prizes and soliciting

advertising for the event's Reference Guide of Services for Alzheimer's Families.

General admission to the event is \$10 per person, and preferred fieldside parking packages may be purchased for \$125 per vehicle. Children under 12 will be admitted free.

The Polo Classic was founded in 1986 by Judith and Les Gurren in memory of Judith's mother, Ruth Hollander, who died in 1985 after struggling for several years with Alzheimer's disease.

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, the state's largest chapter, provides services, support and resources to people with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers residing in Bergen, Hudson, Passaic, Essex, Union, Sussex, Morris Warren, and Hunterdon Counties.

For more information, please call the Chapter office at (973) 316-6676 or visit its website at <http://www.alz.org/chapters/template/njersey/Welcome.html>.



DR. SEUSS DAY...Students at Franklin Elementary School in Westfield recently celebrated the March 2 birthday of popular children's author Dr. Seuss. Pictured, left to right, are: Claire Macdonald, Julianne Niemiera, Patrina Caruana, and Colin Sullivan, with "The Cat in the Hat" (Darlene Caruana).

String Fest '98 to Raise Funds For School Orchestra Program

The Roosevelt Intermediate School Orchestra of Westfield will present String Fest '98 on Friday, April 3.

Produced by Nancy Petrucalli, String Fest '98 is a fundraiser for the Roosevelt orchestra and string program.

Those attending will enjoy an evening of pop music presented by fifth-, sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade musicians in a coffeehouse setting. While music is played, waiters and

waitresses will be serving desserts. The evening will include fundraising efforts to supplement the Roosevelt music program such as a Chinese Auction and a door prize. Many musical items will also be available for purchase.

String Fest '98 will be held at the Roosevelt School gymnasium with doors opening at 6:30 p.m. and music beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission: is free.

Educational Forum to Focus On SP-F Guidance Services

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, in cooperation with the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Council, will sponsor an educational forum this Monday, March 30, concerning guidance services provided by the district.

The entire community, and especially parents of students in the sixth through the 12th grade, are invited to attend this program, which begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Offices at Cedar Street and Evergreen Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Representatives of the district's Guidance Department will present a program describing the ways in which guidance counselors help prepare students for success in the world beyond high school.

Karen McDermott, District Supervisor of Guidance, will act as the program's moderator. She will be joined by the guidance staffs of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, Park Middle School and Terrill Middle School.

These staff members will explain the services available at the middle school level, which includes the process of choosing courses at the high school.

At the high school level, the full spectrum of guidance services will be discussed. Since most graduates go on to college, staff members will discuss in detail career counseling and the intensive array of services available to high school seniors, especially the college application process.

For those students not continuing

Woman's Club to Hold Scholarship Luncheon At Nordstrom April 8

Nordstrom in Menlo Park will host the Scotch Plains Woman's Club Scholarship Luncheon on Wednesday, April 8. The event will begin with a fashion show and coffee at 11 a.m., followed by the luncheon.

A Nordstrom fashion team will demonstrate the use of accessories in women's wardrobes. All profits earned from the fashion show will benefit the club's 1998 Nursing Scholarship.

Tickets are \$20 and include door prizes. They may be obtained from Luncheon Chairwoman Terry Sidun at (908) 232-0601.

Literacy Group to Hold Event to Attract Volunteers

Literacy Volunteers of Union County will be holding a Literacy Library Day at the Scotch Plains Library on Saturday, March 28, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event is geared for potential or current students and tutors. Tutors will be able to find out what materials are available to use, or how to solve problems that they are having. Potential tutors can find out about the program.

Interested students can be assessed if they call the Literacy Volunteers office at (908) 925-7755 to make an appointment for that day.

their education in college, the counselors will discuss vocational education, other types of post-secondary education that may interest this type of student, and job opportunities.

Valley Furniture 2x11

Woodplay 3x4

Patient Care 3x7



A KEEPSAKER...Postcards of Mindowaskin Park in the center of Westfield are now for sale by The Friends of Mindowaskin Park as a fund-raiser to continue their work in the preservation and restoration of the town's centerpiece park. The packet of postcards show eight views of the park in all seasons and sell for \$5. They may be purchased at the following locations in town: Blindworks, 844 South Avenue; the Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Avenue; Periwinkle's Fine Gifts, 9 Elm Street; Rorden Realty, 44 Elm Street; The Town Book Store, 255 East Broad Street; and Williams Nursery, 524 Springfield Avenue. Friends' Postcard Chairwoman Karyn Tate welcomes any inquiries about the project. She can be reached by calling (908) 654-9671.

Jumble Store Will Welcome Spring With Sale on April 4

The Jumble Store will welcome the start of spring with its annual "Ready, Set, Spring" sale which will take place on Saturday, April 4.

Great gifts and clothing for Easter, Passover and the spring season will be featured in a festive setting.

"We have a variety of decorative household items, including picture frames, crystal pieces, baskets and holiday ceramic ware, all at reasonable prices," said Fran Moum, sale coordinator.

"The boutique will also feature toys and holiday clothing, as well as many traditional household items. All items are either new or in almost-new condition," she added.

The boutique will take place upstairs at the Jumble Store, located at 110 Walnut Avenue in Cranford, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Light refreshments will also be served.

The Jumble Store is owned and operated by the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield. All proceeds benefit the league's community service projects and local charities.

The Jumble Store is open on weekdays (except Wednesday) from 9:30 a.m.

Scholarships Offered For CADC Workshops

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Union County is offering scholarships for those students who want to attend certified alcohol and drug counselor (CADC) workshops.

The scholarships are limited and will be awarded on a "first come-first serve" basis.

For further information and registration, please call (908) 233-8810.

Miller-Cory Deed Subject For 'Wednesday Luncheon'

Westfield Town Historian, Dr. Homer J. Hall, will discuss "Notes on the Miller-Cory Deed" on Wednesday, April 1, at the "First Wednesday Luncheon" of the Westfield Historical Society.

This deed has been a puzzle since it was first discovered 25 years ago, Mr. Hall said.

"Extensive research has revealed that its obvious internal errors and contradictions reflect the general state of confusion in Westfield at the end of the Revolutionary War," Mr. Hall explained.

When work on the Miller-Cory House was being organized in 1972, no records were available as to exactly who had built it, or when and how it came to be transferred from the Miller family to the Corys.

When the deed of purchase was discovered by happy accident it gave only the date of 1784, the seller as Jesse Miller, representing the heirs of Samuel Miller, attested by Sabra (X) Miller as the widow, Joseph Cory as the purchaser, and a description of the property.

This was good new information, but attempts to check it out ran into one blind alley after another. The property is described as "thirty acres, more or less" but it measures out as 70+ acres. It has 11 sides with only one square right angle, and two different blaze trees at one corner.

"We do know Joseph Cory was a double cousin. But Jesse is not mentioned in published records of the family, and no stones in the cemetery or dates of birth, marriage or death have yet been found for either Jesse or Sabra or Samuel," Mr. Hall observed.

Probable explanations for most of this confusion can now be traced. This deed marked the end of an era, he explained, noting that the property involved was part of the first West Fields Lot No. 55 which was settled in 1727 by William Miller.

He died in 1782, leaving his oldest son Samuel as executor, but Samuel himself was so ill he only survived by two weeks. The 1784 deed covers only a remainder left after allowing for all past transfers. Most of the peculiarities noted in property lines can now be traced to changes in compass angles, and resulting open or latent disagreements between neighbors.

Dr. Hall first became concerned with Miller-Cory 50 years ago, in Cranford. He and his wife, Carrell, discovered that her ancestor, John Cory, had built one of the oldest houses in town about 1735. Family records identified it as being "in that part of Westfield now Cranford." The old

Cory house in Westfield, now known as Miller-Cory, was also said to be the oldest house in Westfield, but they were two different houses.

Untangling Cory family history led Dr. Hall to become a Trustee and later President of the Cranford Historical Society, and after this, in 1970, a charter member of the Union County Cultural and Heritage Board. In this capacity, at the time Miller-Cory was being organized, he was able to help Betty Pate of Westfield get official approval for processing a batch of unidentified old deeds she had located in Union County records.

When the Miller-Cory deed turned up there by surprise, Dr. Hall arranged official permission for it to be turned over through Pate to Miller-Cory and the Westfield Historical Society, for permanent safe-keeping. Since moving to Westfield nine years ago, he has become a Trustee here of the Historical Society and is currently on the Miller-Cory Board of Governors.

The luncheon on April 1 will be held as usual at noon at B. G. Fields, located on Springfield Avenue. Members of the Historical Society will be called individually. Others may attend by calling Ed or Mary Orlando at (908) 233 2930.



EAGER FOR LOVE...People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a pet adoption event on Sunday, March 29, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the PetsMart store at 1022 Route No. 22, East, at West End Avenue in North Plainfield. Among the dogs and cats available for adoption will be Jonathan, an energetic, one-year-old terrier mix. Jonathan was an abused stray who almost died due to abuse, and is now awaiting a new home. He is medium-sized, neutered and current with his vaccinations. To adopt or for information, please call (908) 688-1073. For low cost spay/neuter information, please call the People for Animals Clinic at (908) 964-6887.



PRETTY PICTURE...Debbie Kurylak, right, Manager of Wellington Art Gallery in Westfield, presents a limited edition print entitled "Sweet Bounty" by Lena Liu to Gail Kender, center, and Mary Poon from the Tamaques School Parent Teacher Organization as a donation to the organization's Fashion Show and Dinner to be held on Friday, April 3, at L'Affaire Restaurant in Mountainside. For further information and tickets, please call Tamaques School at (908) 789-4580.

Tamaques PTO to Present Fashion Show and Dinner

The Tamaques Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has announced that its first Spring Fashion Show and Dinner will be held on Friday, April 3, at L'Affaire Restaurant on Route No. 22 in Mountainside.

The event, featuring the theme "Cruise Into Spring," will start with a cocktail hour at 7 p.m. during which all guests may purchase raffle tickets and preview an array of prizes which will be raffled off later in a Chinese Auction.

Dinner will include a fruit cup, salad, choice of entree (Chicken Piccata or Grilled Norwegian Salmon). The Chinese Auction will commence while dinner is being served.

The hour-long fashion show, which will start shortly after dinner, will feature spring and summer apparel

for both men and women modeled by Tamaques School faculty.

The evening will conclude with the announcements of the four Grand Prize winners and the winner of the 50/50 cash raffles. All proceeds will be used to benefit the children of Tamaques School.

For tickets and additional information, please call Tamaques School at (908) 789-4580 and leave a message for Gail Kender or Mary Poon.

Tickets are \$30 each, and checks may be made payable to Tamaques School PTO. Individuals are asked to mail their checks, with their name, address, daytime telephone number and the number of tickets desired, to Tamaques School, 641 Willow Grove Road, Westfield, 07090, Attention: Fashion Show Chairpersons. Tickets will be mailed.



ON TOUR...Visitors Pat Paraboshi, Lydia Cutrone and Alice Huether tour Park Middle School in Scotch Plains lead by seventh grade students Monique Lemus and Steven Moore (not pictured).

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THROUGH THE MILLENNIUM...Students Daniel McGrory, Stephen Caprario, Katherine Meylor and Ryan Ragoza are shown here with some of the scenery for Wilson Elementary School in Westfield's grand finale of this year's Spring Reading Program, "Reading Through the Millennium." In an evening performance on March 27, Wilson School Principal Andrew Perry, as well as teachers and staff, will assume the roles of heroes and villains from history, from Genghis Khan to Amelia Earhart. Westfield Assistant School Superintendent Dr. David Rock will be special guest reader. The show is the culmination of this year's Spring Reading Program. Since the program began on February 28, a giant timeline has charted their progress as Wilson families read together from history, biography and historical fiction, toward a goal of 365,250 minutes of reading - one minute for each day of the millennium.

Taylor & Love Office Earns Awards for Achievements

Century 21 Real Estate Corporation has honored C21 Taylor & Love of Westfield with its Quality Service Pinnacle Award.

The Quality Service Pinnacle Award is in recognition of C21 offices which offer "exceptional achievement in customer satisfaction," according to a Century 21 spokesman.

The award is based on accumulative quantified results from C21 Quality Service Surveys received from previous clients at the conclusion of a transaction.

Out of a possible 5,000 offices nationwide, over 1,500 offices were honored with this distinction.

"The Quality Service Pinnacle Award recognizes C21 Taylor & Love for its dedication to customer satisfaction and quality service, upon which the Century 21 system has built its current worldwide reputation as an industry leader," stated Robert T. Moles, President for C21 Real Estate Corporation.

Taylor & Love has won the award five years in a row since its inception, according to Mr. Moles.

"Client service is essential to our business and its success," said Roger Love, broker/owner of C21 Taylor & Love. "This award depicts the quality of service that we strive for with every client we serve."

Recognized for exemplary sales performance, Century 21 Taylor & Love, Inc. has also been named the recipient of the 1997 Centurion Award. This is one of the highest forms of recognition awarded to top producing sales associates and offices in the Century 21 System, according to Mr. Moles.

"This honor is a direct result of hard work, superb training and commitment to meeting the special needs of every customer," Mr. Love stated. "I am looking forward to our continued success."

Cleanup Day Set For Sunday, May 9 In Scotch Plains

The eighth annual Scotch Plains Public Lands Clean Up Day, slated for Saturday, May 9, will feature neighborhood, family, service, school, athletic and social groups joining together as they pick up litter throughout the township.

Following litter removal, participants will be treated to lunch and entertainment at Union Catholic Regional High School. Detailed information on the day's events as well as safety information will be sent out after registration is received.

Questions or requests for registration forms may be directed to the Clean Communities Coordinator at (908) 322-6700, Extension No. 243 or, after working hours, call (908) 233-8745.

Registration to Begin For Pre-School, Magic Story Time Programs

The Westfield Memorial Library has announced registration dates for Pre-School Story Time and Magic Carpet Story Time.

Magic Carpet Story Time registration will begin Thursday, April 9, for children in Kindergarten through third grade. The sessions will meet Thursday afternoons, April 23 through May 21, from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.

Registration for the 3-year-old Story Time will begin Monday, April 6. The sessions will meet Thursdays, April 23 through May 21, from 10:30 to 11 a.m., or Mondays, April 20 through May 18, from 1:30 to 2 p.m.

The 4-year-old Story Time registration will begin Monday, April 6. The sessions will meet Tuesday mornings, April 21 through May 19, from 10:30 to 11 a.m. or Wednesday afternoons, April 22 through May 20 from 1:30 to 2 p.m. Children must have reached their third or fourth birthday by the first story session.

To participate in all story hours, children must be registered in person and a Westfield Memorial Library card for each child must be presented at this time.

Burgdorff ERA Urges MLS Over Exclusive Listings

If an individual is selling a home, and he or she agrees to list the home on an exclusive basis, they are limiting the pool of potential buyers, according to Jean Shellenberger Massard, Vice President and Manager of Burgdorff ERA's Westfield Office.

"When Realtors offer to reduce their commission in exchange for an exclusive listing, it sounds highly seductive," Ms. Massard stated. "Seductive, yes, but productive, no. Not if the home sellers want the best price and the best terms for their home," she added.

Judy Reeves, President of Burgdorff ERA, pointed out that, by comparison, using the Multiple Listing Service (MLS) can create a competitive bidding situation and an opportunity for the sellers to command a higher price and better terms which can be of significant value when it comes time to move.

Since exclusive listings circumvent the MLS, they limit prospective buyers, which sellers need to sell their homes quickly, reported Robert Ferguson, former President of the New Jersey Association of Realtors.

Local real estate boards require every homeowner who agrees to an exclusive listing to sign a special form called a Waiver of Broker Cooperation.

In signing it, the sellers affirm that



Jean Massard

even though the advantages of multiple listing have been explained to them, they are still opting for exclusive listing, according to representatives of the Burgdorff ERA office.

Burgdorff salespeople, mindful of the advantages of multiple listing, urge sellers to spurn the signing of the waiver. They argue that if an offer comes through an exclusive listing, the sellers can't be sure it's the best offer.

Founded in 1958, Burgdorff ERA has more than 600 sales associates, 32 offices across New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, and is the largest franchised brokerage firm of ERA Franchise Systems, Inc.



PARK PARTNERSHIP...Roger Ellis, right, a local resident and concerned baseball parent, has initiated a public/private partnership with the Town of Westfield to improve the ball fields at Gumbert Park. The project, which is being done at no cost to the taxpayers, will include regrading and sodding the infields, correcting drainage problems and rebuilding pitcher mounds. The manpower and materials for the project are being donated by a variety of sources who were contacted by Mr. Ellis. The work is expected to be completed in the next few weeks in time for spring use. Pictured with Mr. Ellis is Glenn S. Burrell, Director of Westfield Recreation, and Councilwoman Janis Fried Weinstein.

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