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YOU'RE GONNA GET WET...Hydro-Tek Ltd. recently installed a sprinkler system for the town along the Broad Street side of Mindowaskin Park in Westfield. The irrigation system will water plantings and grass 40 feet into the park. Pictured putting in the new system is Paul Munz, owner of Hydro-Tek Ltd.

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Flower gardens in Mindowaskin Park got relief from the heat wave last week with a new \$10,000 sprinkler system along the East Broad Street side of the park in Westfield. The water will spray 40 feet into the lawns.

klers and save the garden shrubs and annual flowers the Friends donate every year. The Department of Public Works (DPW) does the plantings. Mrs. Priest observed that sprinkler systems often save thousands of dollars invested in plantings through regular waterings. Mr. Marsh agreed, saying "It keeps replacement costs low."

The park will also get two more sets of sprinklers this season, according to Town Engineer Kenneth B. Marsh. The timed watering system is "something we've talked about doing for a long time," Mr. Marsh said. President of Friends of Mindowaskin, Nancy Priest, said the group lobbied the Town Council in January for funding to put in sprin-

The Friends President said the council also budgeted \$50,000 to study a plan for replacing the so-called "overlook" on the pond at Mindowaskin. "We'll have to take (the overlook) apart, totally; there's nothing left to save," according to Mrs. Priest, who added that the cement platform had

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Cars Spray-Painted On Several Streets

By SUZETTE F. STALKER
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Half a dozen cars on several Westfield streets were sprayed with red paint last weekend in what authorities believe are random acts of criminal mischief. A seventh car was also doused with paint shortly after the other incidents were reported, police said. Five of the six vehicles which were

spray painted were parked on streets within close proximity to one another on the south side of town, Detective Sergeant John M. Parizeau of the Westfield Police Department revealed Tuesday. These included three incidents on Tamaques Way, one at Village Circle and one on Otisco Drive. A sixth car was spray painted on Tuttle Parkway on the north side of town, Sergeant Parizeau acknowledged.

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David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader

CHIMNEY SWEEP...Wrecking crews demolish half of the building at 530 South Avenue, including the tumbling chimney pictured here, yesterday morning. Officials said a parking lot is proposed for the site and a collection of antique dealers will replace the former tenant, Andrea's Furniture, in the remaining part of the building. The Town Council okayed the work.

William Van Blarcom, Mountainside GOP Chair, Former Borough Councilman, Remembered

By KIMBERLY A. BROADWELL
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Borough of Mountainside officials — past and present — took time out last week to remember Republican leader William Van Blarcom, 73, who died July 21, at Overlook Hos-

pital in Summit. Mayor Robert F. Vigilanti said the borough lost a "good friend and great person" in Mr. Van Blarcom. According to Carol Van Blarcom Schagerl, Mr. Van Blarcom's daughter, of Ontario, Canada, Mr. Van

Blarcom and his family moved to Mountainside in 1963 after living in Maryland and Connecticut. During his many years in Mountainside, Mr. Van Blarcom was very active in his community. He had been the Treasurer of the Mountainside Rescue Squad for 24 years, as well as serving on the Borough Council from 1970 until 1973. According to Mayor Vigilanti, during his time on council, Mr. Van Blarcom was "instrumental in helping to build the firehouse in 1972." The Mayor noted that, "Bill was the driving force for the new firehouse, and because of that he was made an honorary life fireman."

Mr. Carson stated that his neighbor of 25 years attended over 500 meetings for the rescue squad. "All of the meetings that Bill attended for the squad were done as a volunteer," added Mr. Carson.

Mr. Van Blarcom belonged to the Genealogical Society of the West Fields, as well as the Westfield Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and the New Jersey Historical Society. Mrs. Schagerl noted that her father had "an almost obsessive interest in tracing his family ancestry to see how far back he could go."



Gretchen Bowman for The Westfield Leader

WAITING FOR MOM...Lori Siegel, in back, shops outside Baby's Attic and Company on Central Avenue during Westfield's Sidewalk Sale Days as her children wait for her.

When asked about Mr. Van Blarcom, the Mayor stated, "Bill was a gentle man who not only cared about his community, but did something for it."

Mayor Vigilanti reported that his "good friend" also held a long-time position of being the Mountainside Republican Committee Chairman. "He did so much for our borough and never bragged about it. Now that he is gone it is amazing to reflect on everything he did," the Mayor said. In 1997 Governor Christine Todd Whitman appointed Mr. Van Blarcom to the New Jersey Utilization Review Council as a Public Member.

Also working alongside Mr. Van Blarcom was long-time friend and neighbor, Kit Carson, who has served as the Rescue Squad's President for many years. Mr. Carson noted that as the borough's Rescue Squad Treasurer for 24 years, "Bill was probably the most respected member of the squad. All members of the squad listened to what he had to say. He helped keep spending down with his suggestions."

She stated that this was a passionate pursuit since his retirement in 1991 from the New Jersey Division of Consumer Affairs, where he worked as a Chief Administrative Officer for 25 years. Mrs. Schagerl stated that her father would call his newly reported relatives "missing links."

She reported that her father was also passionate about his work as Assistant Treasurer for Mobile Meals of Westfield and his role as grandfather to his five grandchildren.

"My sister, Gail Brossman, has a daughter and I have three daughters and one son, all of which were very special to my father. As their grandfather he was always very proud and very encouraging in all of their endeavors. He especially enjoyed watching their sports activities and taking photographs of them," said Mrs. Schagerl.

Mr. Van Blarcom is also survived by his wife Betty. A memorial service was held on July 24 at the First Baptist Church in Westfield, where Mr. Van Blarcom was an active member. An obituary can be found in today's paper.



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BIG BAND SOUND...Chuck Clark's Little Big Band performs on the stage on Quimby Street last Friday night during the second and final week of the "Sweet Sounds of Downtown" jazz festival.



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PLAY THAT BEAT...The Blue Food Trio performs their unique style of music at the Westfield Train Station as part of the last weekend of the "Sweet Sounds of Downtown" jazz festival.

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Courtesy of the Westfield Fire Department

UNDER CONTROL...Westfield firemen are pictured on the roof of 656 Willow Grove Road after responding to a fire which broke out just after 2 p.m. last Friday. The fire, according to officials, started in the attic area as the result of roofing operations. The blaze was brought under control within a half hour. There were no injuries. Fifteen firefighters responded to the scene, along with four trucks.

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lost many of its decorative elements over the years and called it a "patch job."
"We want to put in what was originally there in the 1920s — balustrades, for example. We want to use stone — granite — that will last forever," Mrs. Priest said.
Estimates put the cost of the restoration at well over \$100,000.
The Friends have a dozen board members and over 500 donors who have raised \$250,000 in the past six years, Mrs. Priest said.
The Town Council will be taking bids for the two remaining blocks of sprinklers, at approximately \$10,000 each. Phase two sprinklers will water the center section of the park, near the gazebo.
The third set of watering devices will wet down plantings in the traffic island at the Mountain Avenue end of the park.
According to Mr. Marsh, new installation methods of irrigation systems minimize digging up the ground. Reportedly, pipes are pushed through the soil and water lines pulled through to various sprinkler heads.
In the past, DPW employees evidently watered the gardens from a fire hydrant on East Broad Street. Mrs. Priest claimed, "We don't get any water for our plants."
Mr. Marsh indicated that the sprinklers will save "manpower" hours of DPW staff and equipment used in watering at the parks.
The sprinkler system will automatically turn on at least once a day and be turned off during cold weather.

Accord Reached on Lease Agreement for Incinerator

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One of the major concerns of officials was the deficiency agreement in the lease deal. Originally, the county would have had to make up any difference in cash if tonnage to the incinerator from the 13 towns fell below 250,000 tons.
Mr. Williams asserted that an arrangement was reached between the authority and Ogden Martin whereby the latter will make up the difference by selling this capacity to other towns.
Another major aspect of the deal, expected to be announced within a few weeks, is the settlement of a lawsuit with Bergen County. The settlement in that case will enable Bergen to officially pull out of its contract with the utilities authority.
Before the settlement, Bergen County was apparently sending its garbage to West Virginia for one-half the cost of using the Union County burner, according to Edward M. Cornell, Jr., President of the Waste Management Association of New Jersey.
While the Bergen County Utilities Authority had a contract with the UCUA, the end of flow restrictions in the state essentially freed up Bergen haulers to dump their trash at a facility or landfill of their choice, since neither the haulers or Bergen towns had any agreements with the UCUA.
Mr. Williams noted that the settlement with Bergen will reduce the portion of the debt to be paid — some \$80 million — by nearly half, via the Environmental Investment Charge (EIC). Also reducing this cost will be any legislated state aid which is still pending.
Union County Manager Michael J. Lapolla emphasized that, "anyone who hires a private hauler should not see an increase (in disposal fees)." In fact, he noted, a decrease should be delivered to residents "over the next month."
However, Mr. Cornell insisted that any EIC taxes will be passed on to residents by garbage collectors.
In comparing the new disposal fee at the incinerator of \$50 per ton with the previous \$83.05 figure, Mr. Lapolla stated that, "the cost of disposing (of) garbage in Union County in 1998 is \$10 million less than it was in 1997, and there will be similar savings in the years to come."
Mr. Williams said the disposal fees at the county burner through the municipal contracts with the utilities authority will be "stable" over the length of the lease.
Union County Freeholder Vice Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari referred to the lease agreement as a "landmark accomplishment."

WESTFIELD POLICE BLOTTER

TUESDAY, JULY 21
• An automobile dealership on North Avenue reported the theft of two tires and two rims from the establishment, according to police.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22
• A Fairacres Avenue resident reported the theft of a bicycle valued at approximately \$170 from the rear of his residence.
THURSDAY, JULY 23
• A Winyah Avenue resident reported the theft of \$2,000 in cash and an undetermined amount of jewelry from her residence.
• A black cellular telephone valued at \$89 was reported stolen from a 1993 Audi which was parked in the lot of an Elm Street supermarket.
FRIDAY, JULY 24
• A bicycle and hand tools were reported stolen from a Pierson Street garage. The approximate value of the items is \$330, police said.
SATURDAY, JULY 25
• A North Euclid Avenue resident reported the theft of a front license plate from his 1980 Chevrolet pickup. The plate number is XY46NJ. Police said the victim turned in the remaining license plate to the Division of Motor Vehicles.
SUNDAY, JULY 26
• An Edgewood Avenue resident reported that someone entered his 1992 Acura while it was parked in his driveway and attempted to steal the vehicle.
• A resident of North Euclid Avenue told authorities that someone entered his 1998 Jeep while it was parked in front of his residence in an attempt to steal the vehicle.
The ignition switch was broken and the Jeep was left running as a result of the attempted theft, authorities said.
• A Harrison Avenue resident reported that his 1992 Acura was burglarized while it was parked in front of his house. A radio and compact disk player were taken, and the door and ignition on the vehicle were damaged in an attempt to steal the car, police said.
MONDAY, JULY 27
• A resident of Saint Marks Avenue reported that unknown individuals unsuccessfully attempted to steal her automobile by prying open the ignition and starting the vehicle.
• Police confirmed that someone threw a brick with a threatening note attached to it through the exterior window of a Cardinal Drive office. There are presently no suspects in the case, authorities said.
• A West Broad Street resident reported the theft of a stereo amplifier, valued at approximately \$180, from a first floor room in her home.
• A man living on North Avenue, West, told authorities he was assaulted by a resident of North Scotch Plains Avenue during an altercation at the victim's home. Police advised the victim of the procedure for filing a complaint.
• The manager of an Elm Street food store reported that a counterfeit \$100 bill was confiscated.
• A resident of East Dudley Avenue reported that his bicycle, which had been locked at a rack, was stolen from the north side train station. The bicycle was valued at \$340.

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WESTFIELD FIRE BLOTTER

MONDAY, JULY 20
• Three hundred block of South Avenue, East — system malfunction.
• Eight hundred block of Knollwood Terrace — system malfunction.
• One hundred block of Normandy Drive — system malfunction.
• Seven hundred block of Castleman Drive — gas grill fire.
• Eight hundred block of Cedar Terrace — odor investigation.
TUESDAY, JULY 21
• Two hundred block of North Avenue, East — alarm activation.
• Six hundred block of Stirling Place — lock out.
• Four hundred block of East Broad Street — alarm activation.
• One hundred block of Sycamore Street — service call.
• Seven hundred block of Central Avenue — wire down.
• One hundred block of Manitou Circle — good intent call.
• Four hundred block of Roanoke Road — unintentional alarm.
• One hundred block of Elm Street — good intent call.
• One hundred block of Lincoln Road — alarm activation.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22
• Three hundred block of Clark Street — unintentional alarm.
• One hundred block of Kimball Circle — lock out.
THURSDAY, JULY 23
• Two hundred block of Myrtle Avenue — water leak.
• Seven hundred block of Hanford Place — lock out.
• Nine hundred block of South Avenue, West — smoke removal.
• Six hundred block of North Avenue, West — unintentional alarm.
• Nine hundred block of Pennsylvania Avenue — lock out.
• Lamberts Mill Road and Austin Street — wire down.
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FRIDAY, JULY 24
• Two hundred block of Clark Street — system malfunction.
• Fifteen hundred block of Lamberts Mill Road — system malfunction.
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• Six hundred block of Willow Grove Road — structure fire.
• Four hundred block of East Broad Street — system malfunction.
SATURDAY, JULY 25
• Fifteen hundred block of Lamberts Mill Road — system malfunction.
• Three hundred block of First Street — system malfunction.
SUNDAY, JULY 26
• Six hundred block of North Avenue, West — false call.
• One hundred block of East Broad Street — system malfunction.
• Eight hundred block of Ramapo Way — system malfunction.
• Seven hundred block of Glen Avenue — carbon monoxide detector activation.

Linnea Rhodes Attends Child Care Conference

Linnea Rhodes, Executive Director of the Westfield Day Care Center, recently attended a national conference on ways to improve the skills of the professionals who deal with child care.
The four-day event in New Orleans, entitled "How Successful Directors Manage," was sponsored by the National Association of Child Care Professionals. Hundreds of delegates from the United States and Canada were present.
Ms. Rhodes attended workshops and seminars designed to increase management skills and to provide a better environment for children enrolled in day care centers.
Fifteen presenters conducted more than 35 workshops on topics ranging from personnel management to technological advances in the industry.



JAPANESE STORYTELLING...Kindergarten students in Theodora Ritter's class at Tamaques School were visited recently by Midori Nagai, who introduced the technique of Japanese storytelling to the children. Referred to as "Kamishibai," the process involves displaying one page at a time, with only the illustrations visible to the children. The students are then encouraged to create their own story. The word "Kami" means paper and "Shibai" translates to role play. The actual story is eventually read from copy printed on the back of each picture. Mrs. Nagai is shown teaching Julia Carlino to sign her name in Japanese. Also learning the new skill are Emily Budnick, and, left to right, Kevin Monroe, Jr. and Jonathan Brucia. A Westfield parent, Mrs. Nagai has a first grader attending McKinley School.

A friend is a person who has the same enemies you have. — Stephen Leacock
The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention. — Anonymous



EXPLAINING THE FUNDAMENTALS...New Jersey Workshop for the Arts faculty member Janet Lyman explains the fundamentals of violin playing to preschoolers at the Westfield Summer workshop.

NJWA Expands Workshop's Pre-Kindergarten Offerings

Scholastic Assessment Tests (SAT), Achievement Tests, and laptops in the classroom which are said to place pressures on today's students are increasing geometrically.
With this in mind, The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts in Westfield this year has added Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs to emphasize nurturing children's language development and school readiness skills.
According to the NJWA philosophy, this is primarily accomplished through a variety of first hand experiences in the arts, including drama, music, arts and crafts, reading, dance and movement.
These programs will be conducted in the five-week summer camp of NJWA's Westfield Summer Workshop.
For more information on these programs, please contact the NJWA at (908) 789-9696.

Recent Home Sales

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I. Shinkai to Messercola Bros. Building Co., Inc., 1081 Prospect Street, \$220,000.
J. and T. Taylor to Adam R. and Maribeth D. Shell, 807 Embree Crescent, \$270,000.
E. Harrington, C. Udvarnoky and C. Udvarnoky to Kevin and Maureen Cunningham, 428 Mountain Avenue, \$210,000.
J. and M. Moncrief to Scott J. and Megan Decker, 731 Mountain Avenue, \$315,000.
F. and L. Chomowicz to Kevin and Sherri L. Charter, 641 Maple Street, \$285,000.
J. and M. Hesner to Gerald T. and Marian R. McCarthy, 839 Wallberg Avenue, \$220,000.
F. Natelson to Robert A. Whitman and Valerie J. Geissler-Whitman, 114 Golf Edge, \$399,000.
R. and N. Fry to James and Mary C. Tonges, 610 East Broad Street, \$426,000.
D. and J. Cdebeca to David B. and Rhonda J. Hatcher, 617 St. Marks Avenue, \$470,000.
C.K. Murphy to The Myrtle Ann Birchall Trust, 260 Prospect Street, \$290,000.
M. and E. Eisen to Lynn M. Dessert, 786 Warren Street, \$287,000.
T. Couch to Charles Genco and Marsha Rosoff, 423 Edgar Road, \$299,900.
K. Kernan to Susan Duelfer, 515 Trinity Place, \$130,000.
D. and P. Bonardi to John N. Craven and Deborah J. Warner, 26 Cornwall Drive, \$395,000.
D. Readlinger, III and M. Marmion to Patrick Cerria and Laura Cogan Cerria, 670 Summit Avenue, \$225,000.
K. and S. Carter to Thomas M. Sanford and Alexandra F. Richards, 46 Doris Parkway, \$245,000.
A. Buontempo to Matthew P. Murphy, 118 Clifton Street, \$206,000.
M. and S. Law to Al and Maribel Amjadi, 260 Eton Place, \$233,000.
V. DeCristoforo to Anthony and Yeo Duca, 26 Galloway, \$232,500.
E.C. Haden Trust to Raymond and Maria Kostyack, 438 Poe Avenue, \$340,000.
M.S. and F.E. Boone to Larry Ho and Shejai Yung, 617 Norwood Drive, \$299,900.
L.B. and L.A. Weiner to Marc and Lauren Vernick, 704 Tamaques Way, \$216,000.
B. Catanzaro to Gregory and Kristin Miedrzyński, 36 Bell Drive, \$232,000.
T.E. and L.J. Abrams to Lowell B. and Leslie A. Weiner, 1 Burgess Court, \$425,000.
P.J. Schiess, Jr. to Mario C. and Ana Deborah Ofisovich, 129 Wyoming Street, \$170,000.
F.P. and C.M. Pierce to Kevin and Ruth Price, 212 Wyoming Street, \$206,000.



IT SAVED MY LIFE...Westfield resident Charles Vickers helped celebrate the 10th anniversary of NorthStar (Northern Shock Trauma Air Rescue) — the medical helicopter program serving north and central New Jersey. Charles, who had been flown by NorthStar in May, 1995, after being hit by a car, is pictured in front of the specially equipped Sikorski helicopter at the anniversary picnic in Liberty State Park. NorthStar is based at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Newark, the Level I trauma center for northern New Jersey.



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A spokesman for the Coalition claimed that the judgment in the Gallo-way Township suit against Atlantic County Utilities Authority over the trash tax indicates "that there is no legal standing for the imposition of an EIC."

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Another solution, according to haulers, would be to auction off the struggling incinerators and collect about one-half of the \$1.6 billion debt. Then, with the state picking up one-half of the remaining debt, only one-quarter of the original debt would remain.

After that, haulers propose finishing off the debt with a 3 to 6 percent dedicated tax, based on gross revenue in the industry.

Mr. Cornell insisted the debt "has to be based on a statewide solution." He claimed that, for example, Union County dumping fees could be cut in half under the scheme and competitive with out-of-state facilities.

"Why would a hauler not want to go to the Union County incinerator?" Mr. Cornell admitted, if the price was right.

However, some local officials have noted that a rise this year in waste recycling costs after 10 years of government subsidies in the industry, may have discouraged recycling and increased dumping overall.

Gail Iammatteo Chosen by GOP For SP Ticket

By JEANNE WHITNEY
Specially Written for The Times

Scotch Plains Republicans have selected Board of Adjustment Chairwoman Gail Iammatteo last Wednesday to join the slate of three Republican candidates in the race for Township Council seats this November.

Fellow Board of Adjustment member Paulette Coronato and incumbent Councilman Robert Johnston are the two other Republicans running for the three seats. Mrs. Iammatteo was chosen after Realtor James E. Fawcett bowed out of the race earlier this month, citing family and career obligations.

Irene Schmidt, a four-term Councilwoman, former Mayor and legislative aide to state Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco, decided not to seek another term on the council. Mayor Joan Papan, also a 16-year veteran councilwoman, decided to step down and recently was elected to the post of Vice Chairwoman of the Union County Republican Committee under Frank X. McDermott, Chairman of the Committee.

As of last week, Mrs. Papan assumed a role of heading up the election campaign — along with Scotch Plains Councilman William F. McClintock, Jr., — for the council candidates.

Anthony Albanese and Nancy Malool were named election co-chairs on the first round of candidates.

The Democratic candidates for council seats are Franklin P. Donatelli, Tarquin Jay Bromley and Geri Morgan Samuel.

Currently, the five-member council is all Republican and council members elect a mayor from among themselves each year.

Mrs. Iammatteo, who is Deputy Executive Director of New Jersey Real Estate Commission in Trenton, said she was "thrilled" to be on the ticket. Mrs. Iammatteo was considered the favorite to replace Mr. Fawcett on the ticket and reportedly was first runner-up after the first selection round by local Republicans.

"We're going to run hard to get our message out," Mrs. Iammatteo said. She said she will begin "walking the

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One-of-a-Kind Summer Camp Brings Computerized Traveling Slide Show to International Conference

By SUSAN M. DYCKMAN
Specially Written for The Times

Like many of his friends, Dennis Fitzpatrick of Scotch Plains will be traveling this summer. His first stop is Ireland.

What makes Dennis' trip unique is that the 12 year old will be part of a team from Children's Specialized Hospital (CSH) that will address an international assembly on Camp Chatterbox.

The camp is the only one of its kind in the world for children who communicate using augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) devices in the absence of speech.

Using their own equipment, Dennis and seven year olds Frankie Kineavy of Sea Girt and Mickey Cohen of Turnersville will narrate a slide presentation that brings to life what their camp experience is all about — which is fun — and lots of it. AAC users include children and

adults who, like Dennis, have cerebral palsy. A lack of muscle control, one aspect of the condition, prevents clear speech.

Augmentative and alternative communication speech devices range from a simple alphabet board, a "Chat Box" (a glorified tape recorder) to more elaborate laptop computer-like mechanisms with voice synthesizers.

At the Eighth Biennial International Augmentative and Alternative Communication Conference in Ireland, the hospital's goal is to present a prototype of Camp Chatterbox that will inspire professionals from around the world to establish other camps like it.

Leading the group will be Dr. Joan Bruno, CSH's Manager of Augmentative Communication and Director of the camp. The boys' parents will also do a presentation.

What makes Camp Chatterbox so

extraordinary is that it blends the traditional overnight camping experience of camaraderie, cabins, arts and crafts, singing, dining hall antics, boating, swimming and hiking, with a week's worth of inten-

sive therapy designed to help the children make use of their AAC devices and communicate more effectively.

The CSH camp uses the facilities

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CHAT THE DAY AWAY...Camp Chatterbox Director, Dr. Joan Bruno, pictured at left, works with 12-year-old Scotch Plains camper Dennis Fitzpatrick on a computer-related communication device that synthesizes his speech. The one-of-a-kind camp includes families in the programs. Looking on is Sharon Fitzpatrick, Dennis' mother.

Fanwood Officials Focus Attention On Long-Range Planning Initiatives

By SUZETTE F. STALKER
Specially Written for The Times

Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly and members of the Fanwood Borough Council discussed varied topics dealing with long-range planning during a special 90-minute meeting last Thursday.

Among the items on the governing body's agenda was a proposal by NJ Transit to expand commuter parking facilities at the Fanwood train station, pending purchase of a parcel of land adjacent to the south side train station lot on South Avenue (see related story also on Page 1.)

During the special meeting, the Mayor also revealed that \$50 million has been made available to area municipalities through the Union County Economic Development Corporation for business ventures.

Councilman William E. Populus, Jr., Chairman of the council's Administration and Finance Committee, told *The Times* later in the week that the primary purpose of the fund-

ing program is to help local businesses make necessary improvements. Applications for funding may be made through the Economic Development Corporation, he said.

Mayor Connelly also announced

that a borough directory is scheduled to be mailed to all Fanwood households by September. She said the brochure was produced through the sale of advertisement space and at no

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WAITING FOR THE THROW...D.J. Garrett of the Scotch Plains 10-year-old baseball team waits for a throw from the catcher as Bob Mroz of the Westfield team slides into third in the second inning during a game on July 25. Scotch Plains dropped a 12-11 thriller to Westfield.

David B. Corbin for The Times

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Environmentalists Oppose Regional Medical Waste Facility; Hearing Slated for Aug. 27 By Freeholders

By PAUL J. PEYTON

Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Environmentalists groups came out last week in opposition to a proposal to build a regional medical waste facility in Linden. Environmentalists have said the regional facility would be the first of its kind in New Jersey.

Although only one person had the opportunity to speak at last week's Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders meeting, *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times* was made aware of identical resolutions from the Arthur Kill Coalition and the Clark Township Environmental Commission, in opposition to what it termed an "infectious medical waste treatment facility." William T. Fidurski, chairman of the two groups, and members of the Concerned Citizens of Union County indicated they had planned to read the resolutions to Freeholders, but arrived after Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan had closed the meeting to public comments.

The ordinance, if approved, would amend the county's Solid Waste Management Plan to allow such a facility to operate in the county. The Linden facility would be located at 4700 Tremley Point Road. The proposal met with approval from the Union County Utilities Authority in a 6-0 vote, at its July 15 meeting. The application was first considered by the Authority in January.

According to a resolution approved by the Linden City Council, the facility will receive medical waste between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., as approved by the Linden's Board of Adjustment and the UCUA. Earth Care Inc., the firm that will operate

the waste facility, has sought to open two hours earlier.

Environmentalist Beatrice Benzott of Linden said the utilities authority and Freeholder board both lack jurisdiction to change the hours of operation. That responsibility lies with the city's zoning board, she claimed.

As part of a host agreement with Linden, the city would receive free disposal of medical waste in addition to "payment of a host fee in the amount of six cents per pound of processed waste with a minimum payment of \$750,000 per year," according to the Linden City Council resolution.

Ms. Benzott said there is no guarantee the city will receive a host fee because such a fee is not required for medical waste facilities.

The resolution claims that the host fee to be paid by Earth Care "will assist in providing tax relief to city residents."

Ms. Benzott, a long-time environmental activist from Linden, pleaded with the board not to approve the ordinance, stating that "we've never had a regional medical waste facility" in the county. She said such facilities "are not regulated."

"The impact on the whole county — especially the western end — will be tremendous," she stated.

She noted a two-page article in a central New Jersey daily newspaper cited the numerous diseases in hospitals which are "running rampant" in the state. She said these illnesses are unidentified in the medical field and thus are considered untreatable.

"That is biological-hazardous medical waste. This is what they want to bring into our county," she said.

Ms. Benzott said the regulations on the shipment of medical waste "are not available."

"And it doesn't even have any truck route (to avoid residential areas). It doesn't even need a truck. It doesn't need a big placard," she claimed, noting that the vehicles would take the same route in the city used by vehicles headed to the GAF chemical waste facility, in Linden.

Ms. Benzott asked the board to reject the proposal "not for Linden's sake, but for the county's sake." She said the vehicles, which will include vans and other smaller vehicles used to transport materials from doctors offices, will choose the fastest route to the facility, with many coming down Route 22.

"It is up to you (the board) to check into what you're bringing into your county," she told the board.

The Clark and Arthur Kill environmentalist groups, through their resolutions, noted the medical waste that would be transported through the county "may serve as a vector for the spread of communicable diseases that may include...AIDS, tuberculosis, meningitis, hepatitis, cholera, typhoid, plague and the Ebola virus."

They also cited the danger of transporting such waste "into an area of severe motor vehicle traffic congestion."

"Even minor motor vehicle accidents involving carriers of infectious medical waste could expose vast numbers of transient and resident populations to vectors of communicable disease," according to the resolutions.

Also, the resolutions state the treatment facility is likely to generate "the release of chlorine products which are also toxic." After the medical waste products are processed, it would be disposed of at the county solid waste incinerator in Rahway, "thereby creating the potential for the environmental release of dioxins during the incineration process" and other dangerous and even lethal chemicals.

Freeholder Vice Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari, a resident of Linden, told residents that the board has over a month to gather answers to questions before the hearing and adoption vote on the proposed ordinance.

"So far the City of Linden feels that this is something that we should pass but clearly there is plenty of time to gather more information," Freeholder Scutari said.

"Certainly there will be more research done on this issue before the August 27th vote," he said.

The eight Freeholders present voted in favor of the first reading and introduction of the medical waste ordinance.

On another matter, the board introduced ordinance on first reading, that amends the county's administrative code to transfer the duties — currently held by the county's Regional Environmental Health Commission — to a new Office of Environmental Health within the Department of Public Safety.

The existing Commission said in a written statement that the Freeholders' plan would "expand the county bureaucracy by assuming control of an autonomous, financially self-sufficient, non-political, membership oriented, NJDEP (New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection) certified public agency that has been providing quality services to protect the Union County population and environment for the past 12 years."

The Commission cited its "long experience" in providing what it deemed "essential services" on a "highly cost efficient" to towns in the county.

"The Commission operates at the pleasure and under the direct control of the municipalities and is subject to local direction and review and has survived only because it has met the needs of the communities," the commission told the board in its letter.

"Much attention has been given to the concept of integrated services and regionalization as a means towards cost efficiency and accountability. We would contend that this agency has a long history of meeting those goals," the letter continues.

The Commission also noted that the proposal could result in additional taxes or assessments to towns for manpower and equipment currently provided at no cost.

In other business, County Manager Michael J. Lapolla noted that the entertainment for the county's first jazz festival, slated for Saturday and Sunday, September 12 and 13 at Nomahegan Park in Cranford, is expected to be announced shortly. He noted that a stage will be set up for children's entertainment.

The board approved resolutions sponsored by Freeholder Donald Goncalves which supports an international resolution of the political state of Indonesia and East Timor. The Freeholders approved a different resolution that increases the number of at-large representatives on the county's Economic Development Task Force from four to eight members.

Also, the board approved a resolution, sponsored by Freeholder Lewis Mingo, which appoints Holly E. Wetscher of Scotch Plains to the Union County Advisory Board of the Disabled.

Rahway Sewerage Authority Upgrading Data Processing

In response to increasing technological demands, the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority Commissioners voted unanimously at a recent board meeting to implement a \$185,000 data processing upgrade.

After much discussion, the Authority approved the upgrade which is provided for in its 1998 Capital Project Budget.

"The package is designed to suit immediate and long-term needs," Frank Mazzarella, Municipal Representative of Clark, said.

"The system is designed to establish a network system that will allow administrative and operational personnel to have shared access to data related to their respective areas as computer technology expands," said Executive Director, Richard Tokarski.

The system is expected to be integrated within daily plant operations by the beginning of next year.

"The computer network system will enhance data collection and reporting in all phases of the Authority's operations," Authority Treasurer Bob Materna said.

The new system also addresses the "Millennium issue." New equipment will interface within the network, allowing for the exchange of information in a timely and accurate manner, according to Mr. Materna.

Additionally, project installation and integration will be conducted in one phase allowing the Authority to swiftly implement the new system. Once in place, the new system will be ready to accept technological innovations as software programs are modified or made available.

"Implementation of a comprehensive laboratory information management system is one major component during the upgrade," Mr. Tokarski said.

The system includes several options that will enhance both overall performance and coordinate projects within plant operations and industrial pretreatment, according to Deborah Killeen, Laboratory Supervisor.

"The advantages are numerous; most importantly the system will decrease clerical workloads and allow lab analysts to concentrate on technical responsibilities."

"The lab is an integral part of our operation; therefore, technological analysis tools are an important element of this process," according to Ms. Killeen.

"This will allow the Authority to provide better service for our 10 municipalities," Mr. Tokarski commented.

The Authority's project team has already allotted time for training sessions, initial setup and for personnel familiarity.

Authority Commissioners approved Atlantic Business Products of Trenton, to install the equipment. The Authority's present computer system will be converted to a local area network or LAN, interface.

Mr. Materna said that the Authority will continue to use its present accounting system for financial reporting because it has "served the Authority well over the years."

However, this system requires some upgrading which is included in the overall cost of the project.

The plan also includes upgrading the word processing system to a Microsoft Windows environment.

"The Authority has the second lowest household sewer rate in New Jersey and in order to maintain the best possible service, we must implement technological upgrades," Mr. Mazzarella said.

Local Groups and Artists Awarded HEART Grants

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced the first round of organizations and individual artists to receive funding under the 1998 HEART Grant Program. Successful applicants were awarded a total of \$24,700.

"This innovative program supports projects related to history, the arts and the humanities," stated Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan, "and demonstrates our commitment to the organizations and artists of Union County."

"Their contribution to the vitality of our communities is immeasurable," he added.

The HEART Grant Program, the acronym for which stands for History, Education, Arts — Reaching Thousands, was established by the Freeholder Board to serve as a catalyst in strengthening the county's community of non-profit organizations, artists and scholars, enhancing their capacity to provide projects relating to history, the arts and the humanities, according to spokeswoman Susan P. Coen.

The Freeholder Board gives paramount consideration to projects that involve children or intergenerational audiences, projects which showcase Union County-based artists or historical resources, projects which complement the educational system, and projects that are collaborative in

nature.

"The response to the HEART Grant Program is exciting. The recipients are a wonderful mix of visual artists, a composer of orchestral music, cultural organizations and civic entities," noted Freeholder Mary P. Ruotolo, who serves as Liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

"The services provided by these artists and organizations directly benefit the residents of our county and increase appreciation for the arts, our history, and the humanities," she continued.

"These cultural assets are a vital part of community life, economic development and cultural tourism in Union County," Freeholder Ruotolo added.

Among the current recipients of HEART Grant funding is TV Cable Channel 35 of Fanwood, which received \$1,000 to produce a video of vintage railroad footage.

Organizations or individuals wishing to receive a HEART Grant application may contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, 633 Pearl Street, Elizabeth, 07202, or call (908) 558-2550. The fax number is (908) 352-3513. New Jersey Relay users may call (800) 852-7899.

County to Provide Outreach Services for Senior Citizens

Union County's Division of Aging in the Department of Human Services has announced its Outreach Services Program schedule for elderly county residents.

"The Union County Freeholders encourage elderly, isolated individuals who meet eligibility requirements to apply for vital services through our outreach program," said Freeholder Lewis Mingo, Jr., Liaison to the Union County Advisory Council on Aging.

County representatives will be on hand to provide assistance in completing the necessary applications for Gas and Electric Support (LIFE LINE); Pharmaceutical Assistance (PAAD); Home Energy Assistance (HEAP); Supplementary Security Income (SSI); Counseling on Health

Insurance for Medical Enrollees (CHIME), and the SHARE Food Program.

"These services can supplement the basic needs of the isolated elderly and sustain or improve their lives," Freeholder Mingo added. "Our senior staff members will conduct private interviews on request."

The Outreach Services Program is open to all seniors of Union County.

Applications will be available on Thursday, August 20, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Roselle Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Second Floor Conference Room, in Roselle.

For further information on the Outreach Program and other programs offered by the Division on Aging, please call the division's toll-free number at (888) 280-8226.



STANDING ROOM ONLY...Director of the WYACT production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical *Carousel*, Cynthia Meryl, looks over a musical score with Andrew Pratt, Assistant Musical Director of the youth orchestra for the show. The show was sold out for its entire run, according to Mrs. Meryl, who founded WYACT, Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative Theatre, Inc.

Youth Actors Hit High Note With *Carousel* at NJPAC

By JEANNE WHITNEY
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Editor's Note: Our reporter attended the July 25th performance of *Carousel* and the following piece is a combined review and news coverage story.

WYACT — otherwise known as Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative Theatre, Inc. — scored a certain victory after seven years of hard work to join forces with the New Jersey Performing Arts Center youth workshop in a production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical, *Carousel*, that played July 17 through last Sunday at the sparkling New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) in Newark.

Director of the production Cynthia Meryl is a Westfield resident and founder of WYACT. Approximately one-third of the *Carousel* cast are members of the WYACT group. Others cast members auditioned from around the region.

Last Saturday's performance on the Victoria Theater stage at NJPAC was followed by a reception where cast members mingled with patrons and spoke about the six weeks of rehearsal for the musical.

Lead character Billy Bigelow, a "bad boy" carnival barker played convincingly by Richard McNanna, called the experience "the best summer of my life." Mr. McNanna, a 20-year-old music education senior at Seton Hall University in South Orange said rehearsals were often 10 or more hours a day.

"It was intense," he said. The grueling rehearsal schedule evidently paid off as Mr. McNanna belted out songs with all the power and swagger required of barker Billy, yet he was able to pull back through tough transitions into the gentler tones of lover and father, most notably in his "Soliloquy" at the end of the first act. He seemed to hit the mark on every note he sang, no matter what the volume.

"He has the best instincts of any young actor I've worked with," Ms. Meryl said about Mr. McNanna.

Although last Saturday's performance was beset by "gremlins" — like bits of set decoration that floated down into the action, a dancer's costume burst a seam on stage, a running entrance ended in a fall — the performance garnered enthusiastic applause after each song and brought tears to the eyes of a full house at the finale, with a reprise of "You'll Never Walk Alone." The theater seats over 450.

Recent Westfield High School graduate Melissa Miller was delight-

ful and sensitive in the role of Julie Jordan, and proved adept at dealing with the unhappy issue of domestic abuse that runs through the plot. Miss Miller's rendition of "If I Loved You" in a duet with Billy, was interrupted by applause.

Her wistful "What's the Use of Wond'rin'" as she stands by her man-gone-wrong, was a moment of near heartbreak for listeners.

Afterwards, Miss Miller spoke about the production experience, saying, "It's fantastic to be here, in this building — and with Rodgers and Hammerstein." She revealed that the pair of composers is her favorite and that she has used the song "If I Loved You" in auditions for years. *Carousel* was based on a 1909 play, *Liliom* by Ferenc Molnar.

Westfielder Julianne Mandrillo's role as Carrie — the spunky friend who always tries to do right — had a zesty stage presence and vibrant singing voice that seemed beyond her years as a sophomore at Westfield High School.

Miss Mandrillo and Miss Miller are a fine complementary pair, with perhaps credit extending even to the casting of the roles.

Director of Rodgers and Hammerstein Theater Library in New York, Tom Briggs, attended the Saturday performance and called it "truly extraordinary — so absolutely professional." He said his organization deals with licensing rights to Richard Rodgers' and Oscar Hammerstein's works.

Costumes and scenery of the production were nothing but professional and the carousel horses were wonderfully depicted through both costume and dance. Featured dancers Dina Jo Sison and Lisa Morse wowed the audience with their technique and style.

The pit orchestra was made up of New Jersey youths as well, and aside from competing occasionally with the singing, they held their own at most every turn and trill.

By the end, when Billy Bigelow turns up in Heaven, he is met by wise old Starkeeper, played with confidence by 15-year-old Justin Restivo. Mr. Restivo is a sophomore at the Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison and his film credits include *Leave It To Beaver*, among others. He has also performed at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

Four members of the *Carousel* cast will be featured in Wendy Wasserstein's humorous drama *Isn't It Romantic* at the Cranford Dramatic Club, tomorrow, Thursday, July 30, through Sunday, August 2.

Primary Enrichment Program Builds Kids' Self-Confidence

The Principal of the Primary Enrichment Program (PEP) for the Westfield Public Schools, Patrick Rooney, said he wants all 135 students to enjoy their first week of class this fall.

More importantly, he is looking forward to their full participation and progress in the entire three-week program which began July 27 and runs through Friday, August 14.

According to Mr. Rooney, "Throughout the program, enthusiasm and confidence builds up so that the students are motivated to begin a new school year in September. We make it as much fun as possible by using creative techniques and strategies of our teachers and guest speakers who share their skills and interests with the children."

The PEP program, in its ninth summer in Westfield, is designed to strengthen language skills, to create positive attitudes about learning and to give students preparation for a new school year.

A total of 135 students who are entering grades 1, 2 and 3 in September attend the half-day classes which are designed to enable the students to be actively involved in the learning process.

Westfield public school students representing all six elementary schools in town are enrolled in the program which features limited class

who make learning both interesting and productive," commented Mr. Rooney. "They use art, music, poetry and writing activities to enrich the language arts skills. They develop themes and integrate every aspect of the curriculum. The children make connections and learning is reinforced."

"The teachers also send suggestions home to parents to continue to keep the ball rolling during the rest of the summer," he continued.

The teachers in the PEP program include: Teddi Ritter, Gayle Brody, Laura Schneider, Mary Ann Sepe, Linda Tupper, Melissa Greenwald, Patti Hughes, Bene Graf, Pat D'Angelo, Mary Jo Juellis, Elizabeth Boan, Trista Pollard, Stacey Stanzel, and Debbie McCullam and Karen Salter.

The PEP program also works closely with the Westfield Memorial Library during the three weeks of classes. Children librarian Carol Wilson and Adrian Basso will visit each class and encourage reading among the students.

Franklin parent Dr. James Fleming will visit the PEP program on Thursday, August 13, when he will hold assemblies for each grade to display and discuss rocks and minerals.

Pam Swallow, author of children's books, will hold an assembly and writing workshops on Thursday, August 6.



PEP SQUAD ROLLS OUT WELCOME MAT... Westfield Public School teachers met recently to discuss this year's curriculum and activities for the Primary Enrichment Program. They include, left to right, seated, Teddi Ritter, Gayle Brody, Laura Schneider and Mary Ann Sepe; middle row, Karen Salter, Linda Tupper, Melissa Greenwald, Patti Hughes, Bene Graf and Pat D'Angelo; back row, Mary Jo Juellis, Elizabeth Boan, Trista Pollard, Debbie McCullam and PEP Principal Pat Rooney. Not pictured photo is teacher Stacey Stanzel.

sizes of 10 to 12 students. The classes are held at Wilson School, where Mr. Rooney served as Assistant Principal during the 1997-1998 school year.

He will continue his full-time Assistant Principal role at Franklin School during the 1998-1999.

After last year's success, a music component will again be included in the PEP program. Vocal music instructor Debbie McCullam's lessons include teaching songs to build the children's self-confidence.

Mrs. McCullam will also lead the students in the second annual "PEP Rally" to be held the last day of the program on August 14, when all the children will share the songs that they've learned.

Poetry teacher Laura Schneider works with the students to develop creative thinking and poetic writing skills, while nurse Benedette Graf instructs health education classes, giving summer safety advice and lessons on good nutrition.

In addition to these specialists, there are 12 classroom teachers selected for this program.

"These are very creative teachers

Head of Mountainside Schools Hails Progress

By MICHAEL P. BABIK
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

It has been eight months since Dr. Gerard Schaller took the reins in Mountainside as Chief School Administrator. Combining the roles of kindergarten through eighth grade Principal and Superintendent into one position, Dr. Schaller believes that he has the best of both worlds.

"It's very exciting because I'm working with students and staff, while also taking care of administrative duties," he explained.

Dr. Schaller is not only responsible for supervising the 572 students who attend Deerfield Elementary School, but also for the nearly 200 high school students from Mountainside who attend Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights.

The borough spends \$12,500 to educate each Mountainside student in Berkeley Heights.

The cost per student does not cover busing — an average 25 minute journey — Dr. Schaller said. The buses, after making morning runs to Governor Livingston, are used for kindergarten through eighth grade students in Mountainside.

Prior to "de-regionalization" of the districts in November 1996, one regional school board was responsible for four area high schools, including Jonathan Dayton High School in Springfield, David Breairey in Kenilworth, Arthur L. Johnson in Clark, and Governor Livingston.

After the schools were localized, and each municipality became responsible for its own school, school boards were able to set their own budgets.

"We now have more power to negotiate and set the limits on the cost of educating each student," said Dr. Schaller, calling the new plan more "cost effective."

Wearing the hat of Deerfield School Principal, Dr. Schaller has proposed several changes to the school to be implemented over the next several years.

Improvements include a revamping of the scheduling system for grades six through eight and include longer math and science periods. The lengthening of the class from 40 minutes to nearly an hour is thought to allow for better laboratory instruction and more in-depth lessons.

Dr. Schaller said he is also in the process of upgrading the science classrooms with the addition of what he called "tri-facial" tables. The octagon-shaped tables will have gas and water hook-ups, and will be joined by three side tables which can be used for demonstration purposes.

Also in the works is a new industrial arts wood and metal shop course of study which will enable students to design projects on computers and then build the project in



Michael P. Babik for The Westfield Leader and The Times
LEADING THE WAY...Dr. Gerald Schaller, Chief School Administrator of the Mountainside district, prepares for the first day of class in his office at Deerfield School.

the shop.

"We're doing a lot with technology," he explained, while discussing a plan to include more computer-based projects at Deerfield.

Every classroom already has one or more computers, and the library computer is hooked up to the Internet. As a long-term goal, Dr. Schaller hopes to provide Internet access to all classrooms.

As for enrollment at Deerfield, Dr. Schaller recently announced the addition of another section for both the first and second grades. Space however, is scarce at Deerfield, and he said he is carefully monitoring new enrollment figures.

The school district also owns the Beachwood School, which is currently leased to the Morris-Union Jointure and serves as a school for special education students. If necessary, the Mountainside school district can expand to the Beachwood facility if enrollment continues to increase, he explained.

Dr. Schaller is no stranger to elementary education or school district administration. He started his career as a elementary school teacher in Connerville, Indiana. Later, he worked in Ewing Township and as an administrative assistant for the Mercer County Superintendent of Schools.

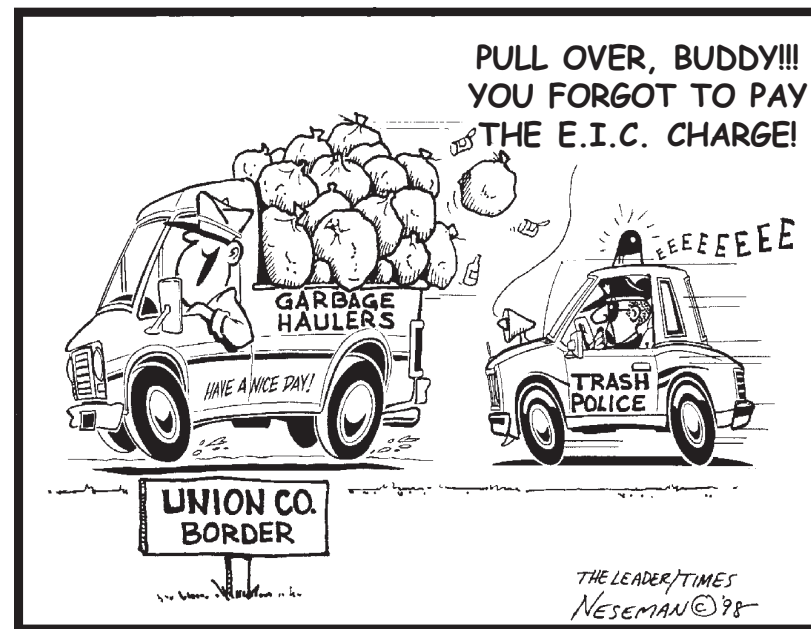
In 1975, Dr. Schaller joined the West Windsor-Plainsboro elementary schools as Assistant Principal. He rose to Assistant Superintendent in the district before moving to Mountainside as Chief School Administrator, last November.

"I find the position exciting, challenging, and frustrating at times," Dr. Schaller admitted, "but I think the biggest benefit is to work with the students and the community."

Brett Pinkin Awarded Bachelor's Degree From Pomona College

Brett Pinkin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Pinkin of Westfield, recently graduated from Pomona College in Claremont, California with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics.

He is a 1994 graduate of The Pingry School in Martinsville.



Letters to the Editor

Early Reaction to E. Broad St. 'Eviction' Could Have Made Elm Decision Difficult

As a long-time Westfield resident, a small business owner in the community, and the only retail merchant tenant on the Board of Directors of the Downtown Westfield Corporation, I feel compelled to comment on the recent evictions of my fellow merchants at Elm Deli and Backroom Antiques.

This may be the most recent and perhaps the most blatant incident of its kind, but the handwriting has been on the wall for many months. How did we get from filling vacant stores, to kicking out viable merchants whose leases have come due, to offering deals to landlords before the tenant's lease is up?

There are those who say, and I somewhat agree, that this is "just business" or the result of the commercial real estate market. I also believe that this market

does not operate in a vacuum. The current climate of approval has accelerated the process.

If those with downtown interests (town government, the Mayor, the Chamber of Commerce, and my own board) had voiced outrage, disapproval or even concern at the first eviction on East Broad Street, then the decision of the landlord at Elm Deli and Backroom Antiques would have been more difficult.

The preservation of the uniqueness of Westfield means support for the small merchants. Revitalization of the downtown does not mean losing the small businesses that have been here through the years.

Gerri Gildea
Westfield

Elm Street 'Landmarks' Are Kinds Of Businesses That Make Town Great

Although this letter may seem somewhat biased, I will presume that what I have to say is shared by many others in and around Westfield. My parents (Mr. and Mrs. Tim DeRubeis), Vickie Priscoe-Spurr and Paula Gentempo are literally being pushed out of their businesses. Backroom Antiques has been there for 20 years and the Elm Deli more than 50 years.

These landmarks are the kinds of businesses that make Westfield so great. I have lived in Westfield all of my life (30 years) and I love this town. I love it for many reasons, one of them being our wonderful downtown, with its unique shops owned by men and women that care about their customers as well as their community.

Downtown Westfield Corporation Executive Director Michael LaPlace feels that the addition of these retail chains is a healthy trend for our town. Well sure if you want to be known as the Westfield mall. We can go to the mall for these stores. I cannot say the same for Elm Deli and Backroom Antiques. The fact of the

matter is Gymboree can go anywhere, this feat not as easy for my parents and Backroom Antiques. It is very unfortunate that money has taken precedence over loyalty, integrity, and just plain giving a damn.

My father probably would have retired in five to eight years, and subsequently sell his business. A business that he has put in 90 hours a week for the past 35 years. Always going above and beyond the call of duty for his customers and his fellow neighbors, just because (he would hate that I was saying this), but now that is all gone. So now I am left with two questions: Will Westfield be the kind of town (as the banners strewn throughout convey) that you and I will want to live in?

My next question is for Joel Goodman and Anthony Schilling — How do you sleep nights? A word of thanks to all of the letters and support from the people who care about Westfield, keep it up.

Teresa DeRubeis-Schaefer
Westfield

Three Country Music Divas To Perform at Paper Mill

Three female country music artists will appear at the Paper Mill Playhouse during the next six months as part of a series of concerts at the Millburn theater.

Patty Loveless will appear at the Paper Mill on Tuesday, August 4. Tickets for this concert are available at \$50, \$46, \$42 and \$25.

Lee Ann Womack will perform at the theater on Tuesday, October 20. Tickets for

her Paper Mill concert are \$40, \$35 and \$20. Kathy Mattea will make a return engagement at the Paper Mill on Tuesday, December 1. Tickets for her show are \$50, \$46, \$42 and \$25.

For tickets and information, please call the Paper Mill Playhouse box office at (973) 376-4343. All shows are at 8 p.m. The theater is completely accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Fleet Bank, Neumann Group Donate Bike to Westfield P.D.

This past Saturday during the Jazz Festival performance outside the Westfield Post Office, representatives from Fleet Bank presented a donation of \$1,400 to The Neumann Foundation of Westfield. The Neumann Foundation then presented a Police mountain bike to the Westfield Police Department's Community Bike Patrol.

The Neumann Foundation is a non-profit organization established in memory of fallen Essex County Police Officer Keith Neumann, who was killed during a pre-dawn drug raid August 3, 1989.

The foundation's purpose is to provide support to police departments and their community Bike Patrols through a bike donation program, explained Neumann Foundation President Steve Toal.

The aim of the program, he said, is to promote the use of the bike patrols within the community to fight drug use, reduce crime in parks, town centers, school areas and general recreation areas.

"We are trying to re-acquaint the community with a highly visible and approachable police force," said Mr. Toal. "The new bike is fully equipped with everything the bike officer will need while on patrol, including safety and comfort features to make their

eight-hour shift on the bikes safer and more tolerable."

"We are thrilled with the generosity shown by Fleet Bank and the enthusiasm and appreciation shown by the Westfield Police Officers present today," he added.

Fleet Bank's Westfield office sponsored the bike donation by donating the \$1,400 to the Neumann Foundation which purchased a fully equipped 1998 Cannondale Police Mountain Bike, helmet and gloves. Fleet Bank's donation will supplement the existing fleet of three police bikes currently on the road in Westfield.

The Neumann Foundation is currently discussing other opportunities with Fleet Bank to provide additional financial donations and bikes for other local police departments.

"The Westfield Police Department had applied to the Neumann Foundation for consideration and was selected on their need for newer, safer bikes. Based on the information submitted and the many conversations with Sergeant Andy Gallagher, The Neumann Foundation's Board of Directors was unanimous in its vote selecting Westfield as a 1998 bike recipient," Mr. Toal said.

Area residents may make donations payable to The Neumann Foundation, P.O. Box 2654, Westfield 07091.



Gretchen Bowman for The Westfield Leader and The Times
HELPING COMMUNITY POLICING...Steve Toal, of Westfield, President of the Neumann Foundation, at right, accepts a check of \$1,400 from Helaine Witzel, Westfield Branch Manager for Fleet Bank. Also pictured is Ralph Tancredi of the Neumann Foundation and his daughter, Briana, along with members of the Westfield Police Department's Bike Patrol. The Foundation donated a mountain bike, pictured, to the Bike Patrol.

Jon Bramnick Appoints Campaign Mgr., Treasurer

Jon M. Bramnick has announced the appointment of a his campaign manager and treasurer for his 1998 bid on the Republican ticket for First Ward Councilman in Westfield.

Lisa Gorsky will serve as General Campaign Manager for Mr. Bramnick and Rafael Bettancourt has been named Treasurer of the campaign.

Mr. Bramnick, is a 1975 graduate of the Maxwell School for Political Science at Syracuse University, New York, and received his Juris Doctorate Degree from Hofstra Law School on Long Island.

Mr. Bramnick served as a City Councilman in Plainfield for seven years. He is a former Assistant Professor at Rider University in Lawrenceville and Adjunct Faculty Member of Rutgers University Graduate School.

Mr. Bramnick has two children who attend Westfield High School and Roosevelt Intermediate School and is married to Patricia Brentano.



PARTY TIME...Sherwood Parkway residents enjoying their annual block party in Westfield take time out to greet visitors Gail S. Vernick, First Ward Councilwoman, center, and Westfield Police Officer Greg Kasko.

Photography Forum Slated At CSH Through September

Children's Specialized Hospital (CSH) in Mountainside will host the New Jersey Photography Forum's Fourth Annual Juried Exhibit, from Sunday, August 2, through Saturday, September 26. A free public reception will be held on Sunday, September 13, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Over 300 fine art photographers were invited to enter their work, from which more than 75 entries have been selected for display throughout CSH's three exhibition hallways.

The New Jersey Photography Forum meets monthly at the Watchung Arts Center. Meetings include discussion and expertise sharing, as well as special presentations by manufacturers, curators and professional photographers.

Upcoming meetings, all scheduled to begin at 7 p.m., will be held on Wednesday, August 12, Monday, September 14, Wednesday, October 14, and Monday, November 16. For more information, please call Nancy Ori at (973) 781-5385.

The Fourth Annual Juried Show is open to the public, free of charge,

from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. daily, at Children's Specialized Hospital, located at 150 New Providence Road. Visitors are requested to enter the hospital through the ambulance entry.

The artists' works are offered for sale. A portion of the sale proceeds will benefit the hospital.

CSH treats children and adolescents from birth through 21 years of age. The hospital provides outpatient services, acute rehabilitation and long-term care through its network of facilities in Mountainside, Fanwood, Toms River, Newark and Union, as well as outreach programs in many communities.

Bridget Benisch Among Colgate's Class of 2002

Bridget Benisch, the daughter of Jean and Steve Benisch of Westfield, is among more than 700 students who will enter Colgate University in Hamilton, New York with the Class of 2002 in late August.

She is a graduate of Westfield High School.



Miss Nanci M. Micione and Michael W. March

*Miss Nanci M. Micione
To Wed Michael W. March*

Leon and Marie Micione of Toms River, formerly of Westfield, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Nanci M. Micione of

*Schmalzes Welcome
Tyler Kenneth*

Kenneth and Debra Schmalz of Millington, formerly of Mountainside, have announced the birth of their son, Tyler Kenneth Schmalz, on Monday, July 13.

Tyler weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and measured 20 inches in length at birth.

He joins his sisters, Madison, 3, and Kayla, 2.

Tyler's maternal grandparents are Connie and Eugene Quarrie of Armonk, New York.

His paternal grandparents are Lois and Leigh Schmalz of Mountainside.

Tampa, Florida, to Michael W. March, also of Tampa. He is the son of Richard and Dianne March of Stratford, Connecticut.

A 1983 graduate of Westfield High School, the bride-elect earned her degree in business management from Trenton State College.

She is currently pursuing her master's degree at Florida Institute of Technology and is employed as Regional Human Resources Manager for Shands Health Care, which is affiliated with the University of Florida in Gainesville.

The future bridegroom, who graduated from Bunnell High School in Stratford in 1988, received his degree in marketing and management from the University of South Florida. He is employed as manager of Jabil Circuit in St. Petersburg, Florida.

A wedding is planned for February of 1999.



MRS. MARLAN KENNARD SCHWARTZ
(She is the former Miss Shelly Maria Engelke)

*Miss Shelly Engelke
Weds Dr. Marlan Schwartz*

Miss Shelly Maria Engelke, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Grausso of Scotch Plains, was married on Sunday, May 17, to Dr. Marlan Kennard Schwartz of Green Brook. He is the son of Mrs. Estelle Schwartz, formerly of Wayne, and the late Dr. Mendon Schwartz.

Judge Herbert Susser officiated at the garden wedding at the Forsgate Country Club in Jamesburg, where the reception also took place. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Gilbert Engelke.

Miss Sandra Grausso of Scotch Plains, the sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. She wore light pink colors and carried a bouquet of roses. Jeff Skolnick of Rahway served as the best man.

The bride graduated from Hunterdon Central High School in Flemington and currently attends Rutgers University in New Brunswick. She is employed by Wakefern Food Corporation.

The bridegroom, an alumnus of Wayne Valley High School in Wayne, graduated from Wake Forest Univer-

sity in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He earned his medical degree at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine, also in North Carolina, and maintains a private practice in Piscataway.

Following a wedding trip to Bora Bora in the South Pacific, the couple reside in Green Brook.

*Kathryn Taylor
Welcomed By
Musso Family*

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey S. Musso of Fanwood have announced the birth of their daughter, Kathryn Taylor, known as Kate, on Wednesday, July 8, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Kate weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and measured 20½ inches in length at birth.

She joins her brother, Jack, 1.

Kate's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Deegan of Fanwood.

Her paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Musso of Mountainside.



MR. AND MRS. GREGG DAVID SCHMALZ
(She is the former Miss Magda Leah Kornitzer)

*Miss Magda L. Kornitzer
Weds Gregg D. Schmalz*

Miss Magda Leah Kornitzer, the daughter of Dr. George D. Kornitzer and Ms. Betty Kornitzer of Newton, Massachusetts, was married on Sunday, May 24, to Gregg David Schmalz. He is the son of Lois and Leigh Schmalz of Mountainside.

Judge John Acres officiated at the late afternoon ceremony, which took place in the Wharf Room of the Boston Harbor Hotel. The bride was given in marriage by her father. A reception was also held at the hotel, with cocktails served on Rows Wharf there.

Miss Miriam Rose Kornitzer of Newton, the sister of the bride, served as the maid of honor. The bridesmaids included Miss Lauren Queler, Miss Ellen Sullivan and Miss Joanna Colton, all of Boston; Miss Louisa Liss of New York City and Miss Jennifer Fox of Atlanta, Georgia.

Robert Glenn Schmalz of Westfield, the brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The ushers were Kenneth Schmalz of Millington and Jeffrey Schmalz of Marshfield, Massachusetts, the brothers of the bridegroom; Benjamin Kornitzer of Newton, the brother of the bride; M. Colin McLane of White Plains, New York, and L. Adam Sherman of Boston.

The bride earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Policy Studies from Duke University in Durham, North Carolina in 1992. She received her Master of Education Degree in School Psychology from the University of Massachusetts in 1996, and was awarded a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in School Psychology the following year. She is employed as a school psychologist for Rockport public schools.

The bridegroom, a 1988 graduate of Westfield High School, received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Duke University in 1992.

He was awarded his Master of Business Administration Degree this year from the Boston University School of Management, and is employed by the Coca-Cola company as an account executive.

A couples shower and dinner was hosted in the bride and bridegroom's honor by Mr. and Mrs. Robert McTamany of Scotch Plains. A bridal shower was given by Lauren Queler. The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bridegroom at The Bay Tower in Boston.

Following a wedding trip to Bermuda, the couple reside in Boston.

**Broadway Performer Plans
Workshop Based on *Cats***

Broadway performer Susan Santoro will teach a workshop for aspiring actors, actresses and dancers on Wednesday, August 12, focusing on *Cats*, the longest-running show in Broadway history.

Ms. Santoro, who began her career as a dancer, has performed on Broadway in *Cats*, *A Chorus Line* (playing Maggie in the final company), *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* (as the Narrator) and *Late Night Comic*.

The three-hour workshop will cover acting the part and cat movement; choreography from the show, and a look at how to apply the cat makeup. Participants are encouraged to wear knee pads.

The workshop will be held at the Broadway Dance Theatre, 791 Route No. 22, West, in North Plainfield. The theater is owned and operated by Lorinda Haver, the award-winning choreographer of Westfield High School's spring musicals for the past five years.

A Broadway veteran herself, Ms. Haver recently received the Papermill Playhouse's Rising Star Award for Best Choreographer of a high school show in New Jersey for her work on Westfield's *Two Gentlemen of Verona*.

There are two sessions scheduled, including one from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for those ages 6 to 11, and another from 2 to 5 p.m. for ages 12 and up. The cost for the three-hour session is \$25.

A Stage Combat Workshop will also be offered by the theater on Friday, August 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participants will learn how actors execute fight scenes without getting hurt. It will be taught by Kevin Gallagher, who was educated in London and is certified by the British Board of Fight Directors.

The \$25 workshop will cover slaps, punches, kicks, head slams, hair pulls and taking a fall. The focus is how to perform these stunts safely while making them seem real. To register, please call (908) 791-9494.



Susan Santoro



CREEPY CAST... The young cast of "Creature Creeps" will give two performances of the horror comedy, geared toward children of all ages, today at Edison School in Westfield. Modeled on the Mel Brooks film *Young Frankenstein*, the production is being presented by Studio One, the drama production class offered by the Westfield Summer Workshop, a branch of The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts. Show times are 1 and 7:30 p.m.

Edison School to Present 'Creature Creeps' Today

Edison Intermediate School in Westfield will host a horror comedy production for children of all ages entitled "Creature Creeps" tonight, Thursday, July 30. The school is located at 800 Rahway Avenue.

Tickets cost \$3 for the matinee show at 1 p.m., and \$5 for adults and \$4 for students and senior citizens for the evening show beginning at 7:30 p.m.

"Creature Creeps" is loosely modeled after the 1974 Mel Brooks movie *Young Frankenstein*. It will be presented by Studio One, the drama production class of The New Jersey

Workshop for the Arts' Westfield Summer Workshop.

This year's production features a cast of 23 children from towns throughout the area, who will be divided into different groups for each production, to maximize acting opportunities.

Among the performers will be Andrew Harris from Mountainside and Julian Siano, Ryan Leonard, Christine McGrath and Shannon Gilmartin, all from Westfield.

Tickets may be purchased at the door or in the main lobby of Edison School. For further information, please call (908) 789-9696.

Carolyn Klinger-Kueter To Talk on Challenges Of Preservation Group

Carolyn Klinger-Kueter will discuss challenges of the Westfield Historic Preservation Commission, of which she is member, at the First Wednesday luncheon of the Westfield Historical Society at noon on August 5 at B.G. Fields Restaurant.

The Commission was established in 1985 by the Westfield Town Council "to preserve the past (in Westfield) by making it compatible with and relevant to the present."

Primarily an advisory board, the Commission has three functions: identifying and assisting in designating historic landmarks and areas of historic importance, guidance on how to preserve such landmarks and areas through recommendations on proposed construction and additions, and education on the town's architectural heritage.

It is not concerned with alterations not visible from the street.

Mrs. Kueter made Westfield her home and began her piano teaching studio there over 40 years ago, just after receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Music Education from Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

She soon became interested in Westfield history and has served on many civic organizations—Co-chairman of "Pep" (Pollution Environmental Prevention), heading a committee called "Cape" (Council for Alternatives to Public Education), and a member of the steering committee of "Stop the Mall" proposed for Springfield Avenue and Route 22.

Her music teaching career has included adjunct instruction at Kean College (now a university), keyboard instruction at the Westfield Summer Workshop for the Arts, primary level music at the Christopher Academy and a recent Kindermusik program for children aged 6 or under. She is listed in *Who's Who of American Teachers*.

Having six children in Westfield

schools, she was a moderator for Speakout, a Westfield High School Program for the promotion of better relations between students of different ethnic backgrounds, Chairwoman of Friends of Music for the Roosevelt Junior High (now Intermediate) School, and in conjunction with the then superintendent of the school system, initiated a successful alternative high school program, Project '79. She was also Choral Director in the former Grant School Shows, which raised funds for additional programs and equipment for students.

Mrs. Kueter was also a candidate for Westfield Town Council in the Second Ward and for Mayor in 1982 and 1986.

Regular attendees at the First Wednesday luncheon will be contacted by a committee of the historical society to verify their reservations. Space permitting, others are welcome to attend by calling (908) 233-2930 before noon on Monday, August 3, for seating information.

Eric Sherman Among 1998 Graduating Class At Phillips Academy

Eric Z. Sherman, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Richard A. Sherman of Westfield, was awarded a diploma from Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts on June 7.

Eric was elected to the Cum Laude Society (academic honor society) and the Executive Board of the Philomathean Society (debate team), and was a 1997 recipient of the Scoville Memorial Prize (history and social science).

He attended Roosevelt Intermediate School prior to enrolling at Phillips Academy, and plans to enter Princeton University in the fall.

Phillips Academy, also known as Andover, is a coeducational, independent high school which enrolls 1,147 students.

Scotch Plains Park Activities In Full Swing This Summer

The 1998 summer park program sponsored by the Scotch Plains Recreation and Parks Department is operating at full swing, with recent trips to Warinanco Park in Elizabeth for a boating excursion; roller skating at United Skates of America Roller Skating Center in Edison, and a first-time trip to the PNC Arts Center in Holmdel for a show featuring skating, hip hop, magic and unicycle riding.

Children ages 6 to 13 have been enjoying activities at Farley Park, under the leadership of counselors Neil Gordon and newcomers Erin McCoy and Jason Hall, assisted by Bianca Gray from the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Children have been participating in relay races, baseball and kickball games. Using a colorful parachute and with help from Erica Hendricks, nicknamed "Big E," 25 youngsters formed a team playing parachute ball. Warren, Ashley, Jordan and Courtney McCoy, along with Valerie Madison, William Benjam, Christopher Banks, Diandra Davis and Charmaine Hamilton, were outstanding in their efforts in the game.

Green Forest counselors Andy Brown, Lisa Ciatto and Caralynne Miller, all veterans of summer programs, have directed games of baseball and volleyball, Nok Hockey and ping-pong tournaments, as well as a home run derby.

Winners in the derby were Mike Rusin, Rob Ventura, Ryan Cerick, Andrew Goldberg, Tom Ventura, Dan Chase and Michael Cerick. The Connecticut Four winner was Chris DeCarlo. Ping-pong tournament winners in the 6 to 8 age group were Marc Rusin and Nicky Natale, and, in the age 9 and over category, Nick Baratucci.

Counselors Gina DeFabio, Deena Ferado and Matt Sneed have been participating in activities with Brookside Park attendees, including the paddle boat trip with David Ginsberg, Michael Calvino, Jennifer Gagliotti, Andrew Ho and Erin Daily.

On the trip to the Fairway Golf Range, Andrew Goldberg was among the miniature golf standouts, and batting cage participants Ariel Feinstein and Emily Fox also displayed their skill.

A Brookside version of Mardi Gras featured pizza and watermelon. Among the attendees were Jack Egan

Noel S. Mosial Receives Full Scholarship To The Cooper Union

Noel S. Mosial, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Mosial of Mountainside, has been awarded a full-tuition scholarship to attend The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art in New York City.

He will be a student in the college's Irwin S. Chanin School of Architecture beginning in September.

Noel graduated from The Pingry High School in Martinsville in June. He plans to major in architecture.

The Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, established in 1859, is a private college of 1,000 students, each of whom receives a full-tuition scholarship.

It is the only college focused exclusively on preparing students for careers in fine art and graphic design, architecture and engineering.

and Michelle Calvo. Future trips will be taken to movies, Bowcraft and bowling.

A special event will be the "Mad Science of Union County" demonstration slated for tomorrow, Friday, July 31, at 10:30 a.m. on the Village Green on Park Avenue. James Addonizio will conduct the presentation, which will introduce children to the wonders of science.

Arts and Crafts Director Theresa Natale has supervised some original projects which the youngsters can take home to display, such as picture frames, heart-shaped puzzles, and Godzilla-style masks. She is at each park twice weekly.

Gail Iozzi has planned and organized a varied program for preschoolers ages 4 and 5, which are conducted at Kramer Manor Park. Her assistants are also experienced college students who have worked in childhood programs at other institutions or are enrolled in early childhood programs.

They include Erin Firetto, who is also dance training for the department's Rhythmic Gymnastic Program, Jennifer Davis and Marie Losavio. A trip to the Watchung Stables will be the highlight of the program this summer.

Real Estate Courses Offered at College

For people who are experienced in the real estate field, Union County College is offering two non-credit courses to help participants complete the necessary requirements to become a Real Estate Broker or Real Estate Appraiser by summer's end.

The Real Estate Brokerage License program is open to all candidates who have or will have completed three years of employment in real estate practice prior to taking the real estate examination.

The program consists of three sections, with an opportunity still available this summer to take the 30-hour requirement in office management. "Office Management" will be conducted from 2 to 5 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays, August 10 through 25, at the college's Cranford campus.

Other required courses include "Real Estate" and "Real Estate Ethics." Candidates are required to complete all course sections within a two-year period and must pass a final examination for each course in order to qualify.

Additionally, the New Jersey State Board of Real Estate Appraisers has approved the college to offer a series of courses to satisfy requirements for licensed, residential, and general appraisers.

This summer, participants can still take "Ethics and Standards of Professional Practice," a required course in the Real Estate Appraisal program. It will be held from 6 to 9:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, August 4 through 13, at the college's Cranford campus.

UCC also offers "General 1-Introduction to Income Property Valuation" and "Residential 4" to enable students to meet state requirements.

Those interested in further information should call the Division of Continuing Education and Community Services at (908) 709-7600.



GREAT EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENTS... Westfield Strategic Planning Committee volunteers who met for several months to develop recommendations for ensuring excellence in the Westfield Public Schools were officially thanked by Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Foley for their work and interest. Those members who attended the appreciation dessert included, left to right, seated, Trista Pollard, Ginger Hardwick, Stacey Stanzel, Geri McDonald and Lucille Davies; middle row, Janice Sheridan, Coral Rusnak, Catherine Marchant, Bev Geddis, and Cheryl O'Brien; and, back row, Tony Tomasso and Dr. Ted Kozlik.

Strategic Plan Sets High Expectations for Students

Editor's Note: The following is the fourth of a seven-part series outlining the initiatives of the committees which worked on the Strategic Plan for the Westfield Public Schools District.

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One of the goals of the Westfield School District's Strategic Plan is to ensure that "all students will be challenged by rigorous programs that will equip them with the tools to achieve excellence in their lives."

One of the strategies developed to accomplish this goal is to "set clear and high expectations for students of all levels of ability."

Strategic Plan Action Plan Committee Chairwoman Cheryl O'Brien and more than 35 other volunteers spent several months drafting recommendations to make that goal a reality.

Ms. O'Brien, who is Assistant Principal of Roosevelt Intermediate School, was joined by teachers, parents, administrators, and a board member, representing a wide degree of experiences.

The committee members are: Tom Beese, James Bluck, Tracy Brostek, Shannon Butler, Janet Ciarrocca, Jack Clark, Sue Coren, Lucille Davy, Susan Dugle, Vin Fischer, Carolyn Fleder, Christine Foley, Beverly Geddis, Susanne Geoghegan, Board of Education member Ginger Hardwick, Suzanne Jacobus and Patricia Jakubowski.

Other committee members are Director of Student Personnel Services Dr. Theodore Kozlik, Barbara Leparulo, Leslie Lewis, Andrea Lo, Catherine Marchant, Geraldine McDonald, Charles Mierswa, Regina Monohan, Cheryl O'Brien, Dona Patt, Ann Phillips, Trista Pollard, Coral Rusnak, Pamela Shallcross, Janice Sheridan, Stacy Stanzel, Nan Statton, Julie Tarr, Tony Tomasso and Bette Tuthill.

The recommendations made by

the committee to the Board of Education include:

- Reduce class size at all levels.
- Provide continuing Basic Skills support that includes transition assistance, taught by specialty certified teachers.
- Develop programs (analogous to Project '79) in the elementary and middle schools, to address the needs of underachieving students.
- Develop a curriculum program for advanced learners in the middle schools.
- Rewrite the district's policy on programming for advanced learners to include, but not be limited to, "American Reads."
- Address variations in learning styles and differing abilities.
- Implement programs at all grade levels that support higher level thinking skills.
- Review/revise the district policy on instructional grouping.

In early fall, the Westfield Board of Education will review these and other proposals made by all seven of the action plan committees.

In speaking on behalf of her committee, Mrs. O'Brien said, "It was exciting to have the opportunity to serve with so many dedicated and thoughtful community members. People representing widely differing viewpoints on a number of critical issues came together to reflect on our community and the needs of our children."

"As a group, we were impressed with the power of the consensus model of decision making that was used in the Strategic Planning process. It provided a way to explore our differences and find common ground as we developed action plans to ensure that Westfield students have the challenging curriculum that will prepare them for success in the 21st century."

THE WEEK IN SPORTS

MATT, JAY HOYNOWSKI, ED NOVY SCORE 2 RUNS EACH

Phoenix Rises From the Ashes; Smokes Out the Hideaway, 8-4

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Last year's A Division Champions, Phoenix Tube, rose from the ashes of mediocre regular season to smoke out the Hideaway, 8-4, in Scotch Plains Softball League action at Jerseyland Field in Scotch Plains on July 21. Jay and Matt Hoynowski along with Ed Novy scored two runs apiece to lead the successful rebirth of the mighty Phoenix.

The first inning was controlled by

the defense. Greg McComb had a leadoff single for the Hideaway, but Phoenix pitcher Novy got the next three batters to fly out. Jay Hoynowski, Anthony Jurist and Mark Nies singled for Phoenix; however, a brilliant second-to-short-to-first double play initiated by Dan Serido extinguished any immediate Phoenix uprising.

Novy put away the next three Hideaway batters, then Phoenix flew with three runs in the bottom of the second. Greg Roe rapped a single to left,

Matt Hoynowski followed with an identical single and Novy slid a single to right field to load the bases. Roe scored on an error, then Jay Hoynowski hacked a two-run single up-the-middle.

Bob Darby got the only hit for the Hideaway in the third and Nies lobbed a single to left for Phoenix in the bottom of the inning. Nick Piscopo made a magnificent diving catch in left field and Dave Serido initiated a short-to-second-to-first double play to allow the Hideaway to escape the inning.

In the fourth, Piscopo drilled a single to right but was caught attempting to stretch it to a double. Rob Tumolo and Danny DiDario followed with singles; however, Mike Peterson lined out to the pitcher and Pat O'Sullivan grounded out to the pitcher.

Phoenix soared with three more runs in the bottom of the fourth. Matt Hoynowski hopped a single to left, then was thrown out on a force play. Novy sliced a single to right and Mike Hernandez chopped an RBI single to left. Jay Hoynowski hit into a fielder's choice, then Novy alertly scored when a throw eluded the first baseman. Andrew Reale tapped a single, then Jurist jolted an RBI single off the pitcher.

The Hideaway could hit but they were unable to put enough together

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OUT BY A LONG SHOT...Pat O'Sullivan of the Hideaway gets tagged out at third by Matt Vilade of Phoenix in the fifth inning at Jerseyland Field in Scotch Plains on July 21. The Phoenix rose to win, 8-4.

HENNESSEY, BIALICK, KENT PROVIDE KEY HITS IN 6TH

Westfield Blue Wins Thriller; Stops Scotch Plains, 12-11

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

The First Annual John Fiorino Memorial Baseball Tournament began its first day with several exciting games among the seven competing teams. In one of the games, the Westfield Blue team came from behind, then held on to defeat a highly competitive team from Scotch Plains. Dave Hennessey, Mike Bialick and Tom Kent provided key hits which allowed the "Blue" to take the lead from Scotch Plains with four runs in the top of the sixth inning.

With a toss of a coin, Scotch Plains became the home team and Westfield came to bat in the top of the first. After Ryan Gundrum and Andrew Lent grounded out to the pitcher, John Nesmith drew a walk, then advanced to second on a passed ball. Mike Yee yanked a double to deep center to drive in Nesmith. Kent came to the plate and knocked an RBI single to right-center field to give the Westfield Blue a 2-0 lead.

Scotch Plains reacted with a run in the bottom of the first. Andrew Goldberg walked and Sean Young slashed an RBI single to center.

The Big Blue came on strong in the

second and cleaned up with a four-run inning, increasing its lead to 6-1. Bob Mroz hopped a single to center, then stole second and third. Cooper Jardine brought Mroz home when he grounded out to second. Mike Farrell walked then stole second, Lent lashed an RBI single to center and Nesmith followed with a walk. Yee loaded the

bases with an infield single and Kent reached base safely on a throwing error as Lent and Nesmith scored.

Kent, the "Big Blue" pitcher, was hot and struck out three of the four Scotch Plains batters in the second and Westfield returned to bat in the third. Eric Williams drew a leadoff

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OUT AT HOME...Mike Bialick of the Westfield Blue is tagged out by Thurston Hamlette of Scotch Plains during the John Fiorino Memorial Tournament.

FACTOR HRS, SHOVLIN GETS 3 HITS

Mattress Factory Rolls Over Checchio's, 10-4

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Westfield Men's Softball League playoff time has arrived and the intensity and quality of play was turned up a notch at Tamaques Park in Westfield on July 26. Clint Factor blasted a two-run homer which inspired his second-seeded Mattress Factory teammates to score eight runs in the sixth inning and come from behind to defeat third-seeded Checchio Chiropractic, 10-4, in the first game of the best-of-five series.

Most of the game was dominated by good pitching and superb defensive plays. Joe Dasti singled in the first for Checchio's but center fielder Gino Mirabelli prevented any scoring by making two fine catches. Dave Buchwald in center and pitcher Pete

Lima made fine plays for Checchio's to hold the Mattress Factory scoreless in the bottom of the first.

Brian Chapman chopped a double to left in the second inning for Checchio's and scored on a single from Lima. Ron Shovlin singled but the Mattress Factory was unable to score in its half of the second.

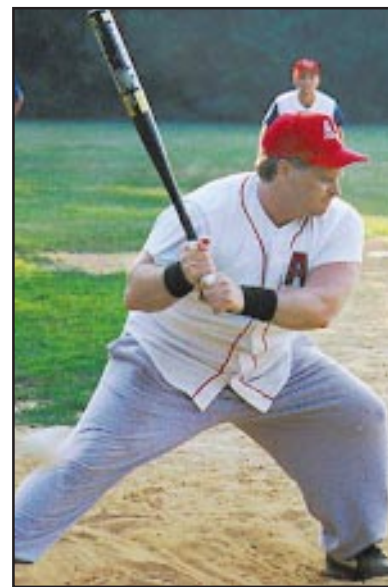
Jack Failla singled to left and Gary Ruban singled to center, then Failla scored on Jim Freel's sacrifice fly to left to give Checchio Chiropractic a 2-0 lead in the third. Kevin Lombardi singled in the third but the Mattress Factory could not manufacture any runs.

Factory pitcher Tim Walsh yielded only a single to Joe Walsh in the fourth. When the Mattress Factory

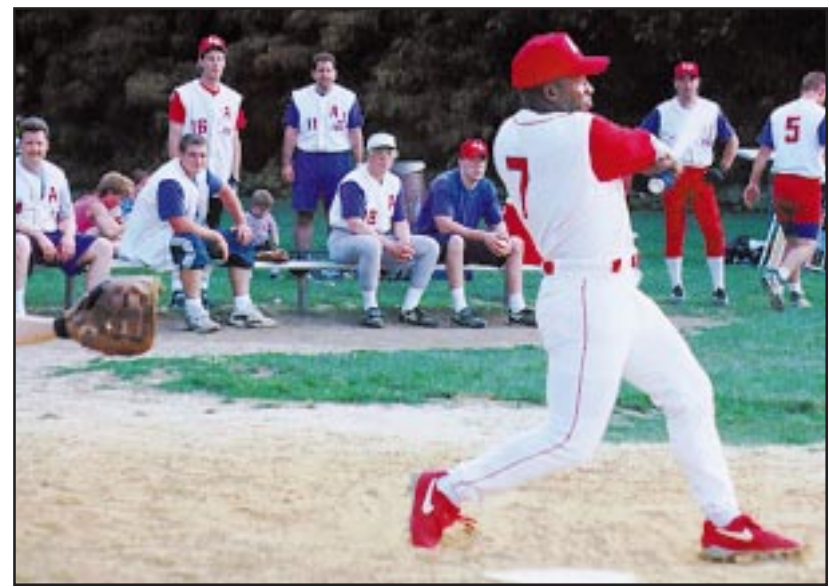
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PLAYOFF INTENSITY...Brian Chapman of Checchio Chiropractic collides with Mattress Factory catcher Chris Masterson and scores in the second inning of their first playoff game. The Mattress Factory won game one, 10-4.



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times
TAKING A BALL...John Kolas of A. J. Jersey takes a ball, then whacks a single to left in the third inning.



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HACKING A SINGLE TO SHORT...Greg Hobson of A. J. Jersey hacks a single toward short in the first inning against the Jolly Trolley. The Jerseymen won their playoff game, 8-6.

CIULLO, KOLAS AND HOBSON PROVIDE WINNING RBI

A. J. Jersey Clangs the Jolly Trolley's Bell in Playoff, 8-6

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Fourth-seeded A. J. Jersey Forklift scored three runs in the bottom of the fifth inning to pull off an 8-6 come-from-behind win over the fifth-seeded Jolly Trolley in the first game of a best-of-three series in Westfield Men's Softball League action at Tamaques Park in Westfield on July 22. Tony Ciullo, John Kolas and Greg Hobson provided the three key RBI in the fifth to lift A. J. Jersey to victory.

A. J. Jersey immediately quelled any early Trolley offensive threat when pitcher Ed Nugent caught a sizzling line-drive from Steve Walsh and fired it to first in time to nail Paul Stofa before he could get back to the base. However, the Jerseymen's offense went to work in their half of the

first inning.

With Bill Beehner on first, Ciullo chopped a bad-hop single over the shortstop's shoulder, then Beehner scored when Kolas steamed a grounder which eluded the third baseman. Hobson hacked a hopper off the shortstop's glove and Ciullo dashed home for the second run. Leo White stepped to the plate and hammered a two-run double down the first baseline to give A. J. Jersey a 4-0 lead.

The Jolly Trolley laughed it off and clanged off five runs in the second to gain the lead. Keith Johnson jolted a single past second, Tom Jogis jostled a single by the second baseman and Bob Jones loaded the bases with a walk. Gary Shor lofted a shot to left field which was dropped and Johnson and Jogis jogged home. Lee Marks

lofted a fly ball to right which was also dropped and Jones and Shor scored. Dave Ciarracca rapped a single to left and Marks marched home.

Mike Novy nailed a two-out triple to deep left field, but Paul Meade popped up to center for the third out and the Trolley rolled to the plate to bat in the top of the third. Jones drew a one-out walk but was thrown out on a force play and Marks grounded out to third for the third out.

Beehner drew a leadoff walk for A. J. Jersey in the bottom of the third, then tagged up and zoomed to third on a fly ball which was miraculously snagged by Jones who made a face-diving catch in left field. Kolas knocked a single to center and Beehner bolted home with the tying run.

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GIBBONS, ALFONSO CRUSH THREE-RUN HOMERS

American United Uses Power; Cracks Seeman's Chiropractic

By DAVID B. CORBIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

American United Mortgage "liened" heavily with nine runs in the fifth inning to come from behind to defeat Seeman's Chiropractic, 16-10, in the third game of the best-of-three series in the Mountainside Softball League playoff at Echo Brook Field in Mountainside on July 23. American United also won the power battle which featured five towering home runs. Laz Alfinso and Keith Gibbons each blasted three-run homers to give American United Mortgage added security.

Things did not appear so secure for the third-seeded United Mortgage as the sixth-seeded Seeman's felt that it was about to slam the "door" when Jimmy Morrison crashed a home run over the left field screen in the first inning. Nick Martini stirred up a double to right field and Justin Petino drove him home with an identical double. Jayson Mullman drew a walk, George Gyure drilled an RBI double off the left field screen and Dan Monaco mashed an RBI single to left to give Seeman's a 4-0 lead.

Still with confidence, American United Mortgage made a two-run

investment in the bottom of the first. Paul Ewing sliced a single to left, Gary Zacovic yanked a single down the third baseline and Lou Danielle banged an RBI single to left. Al Betau belted a single to left to bring home Zacovic.

Seeman's Chiropractic manipulated two runs in the top of the second to grasp a 6-2 lead. Lou Monaco ripped a double to left, Tony Palermo bounced a double off the left field screen to send home Monaco and Morrison wiggled an RBI single past third.

Knowing that it had to protect its interest, American United earned three runs in the second to narrow the margin to 6-5. Larry Mason hammered a single to left, Kevin Zippler bounced a single to left and Alfonso launched his three-run homer over the left field screen and onto Route 22.

With only a one-run lead, Seeman's

Chiropractic felt that it "kneaded" to get some more insurance of its own. Mullman punched a single up-the-middle, Gyure hacked an infield single and Dan Monaco knocked an RBI double down the left field line. Mike Braun muscled an RBI single over short and Lou Monaco hit into a unique fielder's choice to bring home Dan Monaco, upping the score to 9-5.

Rich Vinasi chopped a single to center for American United in the third. Tony Rodriguez ripped a single to right, putting runners on first and second. When Mason lofted a fly to center, both Vinasi and Rodriguez tagged up and advanced one base. Vinasi was awarded a free trip home when the throw to third ricocheted out-of-bounds. Zippler drove in the second run of the inning with a dribbling single past third.

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SAFE AT THIRD...Rich Vinasi of American United Mortgage slides safely into third as the ball zooms past Seeman's third baseman Jim Morrison and ricochets out of bounds in the third inning at Mountainside Recreational Field on July 23.

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RUGGED PLAY AT THIRD...George Gyure of Seeman's Chiropractic blasts his way into third as Lou Danielle of American United snags the ball in the fifth inning.

American United Uses Power; Cracks Seeman's Chiropractic

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Both Seeman's and American United failed to score in the fourth. Zacovic managed a single and Danielle drilled a double off the left field screen for the Mortgage men; however, Seeman's left fielder Braun threw Zacovic out at third when he overran the base.

tree behind the left field screen to put United in front, 12-10. More benefits were still to come. Alfonso lashed a single to left, Zacovic wracked a double off the left field screen and Danielle poked an RBI single to left. Betau hit a sacrifice fly to center to score Zacovic and Vinasi blasted a two-run homer over the right field fence to give American United a comfortable 16-10 lead.

Scoreboard for American United vs Seeman's Chiropractic: Amer. United 16, Seeman's Chiro. 0.

Mattress Factory Rolls Over Checchio's, 10-4

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players approached the plate in the fourth, they were ready to produce. Factor lined a single to left and moved to third on Shovlin's single to center. Tom Perotta punched an RBI single to center, then Mike Varano tied the score, 2-2, with a sacrifice fly to center.

Tim Walsh bounced a double down the third baseline, then Factor hammered his homer to remote left field. Shovlin slapped his third single of the afternoon to center, Perotta ricocheted a single off the second baseman's glove and Shovlin scored when Varano reached base safely on an error.

Scoreboard for Mattress Factory vs Checchio's: Mattress Factory 10, Checchio's 4.



SMACKING A SINGLE TO RIGHT...Ron Shovlin of the Mattress Factory smacks a single to right in the fourth inning. Shovlin had three singles and scored two runs against Checchio's.

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GROSS NAILS 3 HRS, 1 TRIPLE, 4 RBI C. B. I. Blue Neutralizes The Red Thunder, 20-5

By DAVID B. CORBIN

Lightning can strike twice in the same place and it did to the previously 7-1 Red Thunder as it succumbed once again to Congregation Beth Israel (CBI) 20-5 at Tamaques Park in Westfield on July 26.

Gross began the battering for the CBI Blue by hammering a solo homer to deep left field in the first inning. Jay Lowenthal made the score, 2-0, when he moved to third on a single from Jay Weisholtz and scored on a single by Andrew Port.



CONTROVERSY AT HOME...Doug Schwartz of CBI barges into home past Jerry Powers of the Red Thunder in the second inning. Although the ball was on the ground, Schwartz was ruled out when he failed to slide. See additional picture on page 15.

Kirschenbaum and Howie Queller singled, then Steve Schwartz tapped an RBI single to left. Joel Horowitz added an RBI with a sacrifice fly, Dan Goldstein rapped an RBI single and Doug Schwartz cleared the bases on an interesting triple which he stretched to a homer but was called out due to a rules interpretation.

The Thunder was stunned and managed only a single from Jon Applebaum in the second, but CBI blitzed back in the top of the third. Gross launched his second solo homer of the game, Lowenthal singled and Weisholtz whammed an RBI triple. Port reached first on a throwing error as Weisholtz scored, then John Alpert hit a brassy RBI single to left to up

Scotch Plains Men's Softball League:

Table showing standings for Scotch Plains Men's Softball League as of July 21, divided into A and B divisions.

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CBI's lead to 12-1. Eric Weiss drilled a double, Abramowitz poked an RBI single and Steve Baker bopped an RBI single to left to add two runs to the Red's thunder. Wasserman added another single but no further runs were scored.

CBI took an offensive rest in the fourth and the Red Thunder was held to singles from Pat McNamara and Applebaum; however, the CBI Blue belted with two runs in the fifth. Glen Frank slapped a single to center and Gross crunched an RBI triple to right-center, then scored on a fielder's choice from Lowenthal.

On a perfectly cloudless day, the Red Thunder found it very difficult to add some "bang" and failed to in the fifth and the sixth innings, but the Blue added another run in the sixth and one more in the seventh. Port and Alpert singled, then Leovy drove Port home in the sixth. Joel Horowitz and Goldstein singled, then Doug Schwartz singled Horowitz home in

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the seventh. Jay Tischler led off for the Thunder and singled to right. McNamara singled off the foot of the second baseman, then both Tischler and McNamara scored on the deflection.

Scoreboard for CBI Blue vs Red Thunder (7-2): CBI Blue 20, Red Thunder 5.

Scotch Hills Women Tell Golf Results

A spokeswoman for the Scotch Hills Women's Golf Association of Scotch Plains announced the winning team of the "100% Handicap" tournament held July 31.

- FLIGHT A: Low gross, Linda Moncur, 1 point. First low net, Marge Grimmer, 6 points. Second low net, Linda Moncur, Laura Botto and Pat Kelk, tied, 2 points each.

- FLIGHT B: Low gross, Nancy Phares, 1 point. First low net, Elsie Blanchett and Nancy Phares, tied, 5 points each. Second low net, Gert Simons and Peggy Boss, tied, 1 point each.

- FLIGHT C: Low gross, Dolores Veghte, 1 point. First low net, Dolores Veghte, 6 points. Second low net, Dolores Jennings, 4 points. Third low net, Betts Sutman, Phyllis Combe and Dot Rastelli, tied, 1 point each.



FLYING INTO THIRD...Jay Hoynowski of Phoenix flies into third base in the fourth inning as Pat O'Sullivan of the Hideaway attempts to tag him.

Phoenix Rises From Ashes; Smokes Out Hideaway, 8-4

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for a run-producing inning. Dave Serido and Dan O'Sullivan singled but were denied a trip home in the fifth. Matt Hoynowski, who walked, scored on a double by Novy to put Phoenix ahead, 7-0, entering the top of the sixth. The Hideaway finally responded with a run. McComb and Piscopo both singled, then Tumolo singled home McComb.

Phoenix upped the score to 8-1 in the bottom of the sixth. Jay Hoynowski singled to right and craftily swiped second on a lazy toss back to the infield. Reale whacked a single to left and Jurist chopped an RBI single over short.

Dave Serido singled in the seventh and Piscopo singled in the eighth, but the Hideaway could not emerge. Reale tripled for Phoenix in the eighth but was nailed out at the plate attempting to gain a round tripper.

Scoreboard for Phoenix vs Hideaway: Phoenix 8, Hideaway 4.



SCORING ANOTHER RUN...Jason Anderson of the Westfield White team scores his second run of the game. The Westfield White defeated Berkeley Heights, 17-0, at Gumbert Field in Westfield on July 22.

Westfield's ace pitcher Tommy Ricciuti, showed his skills, striking out two in the first inning. In the White team's half of the inning, first baseman, Alex Zierler singled. Ricciuti then slapped a solid line drive up the middle. Clean-up batter Tommy Layton walked and Jason Anderson, the second baseman, doubled driving in Zierler and Ricciuti. Anderson and Layton would also score on a double by the right fielder, Brandon Cuba. Cuba, who stole third, was hit in the leg by a line drive by teammate Pierce Gaynor to record a out and end the inning.

In the second inning, Ricciuti struck out Berkeley Heights batter Shaun Cox. Ricciuti beamed John Fanning, then proceeded to strike out Matty Balboni to retire the side.

Mike Diez led off for Westfield in the second and hit an infield pop-up which was misfielded by the Berkeley Heights blue allowing him to advance to second. Later, Zierler hit a sacrifice fly to right field to score Diez. Ricciuti continued to impress with a well hit ball to right field, giving him

Hanza struck out John Curcio and Dan Grodzkiak was tagged out at second with impressive field work by Anderson and Ricciuti. A solid throw by Ricciuti, however, was not soon enough to complete the double play.

Westfield, resting comfortably on its seven run edge, nevertheless exploded in the fourth inning, scoring ten runs. Weinstein singled to lead off the inning. Zierler also singled and a sac fly by Layton brought in Weinstein. Later, Zierler, Anderson, Cuba, Hanza, Gaynor, and Tom Metz would score. After battling through the entire lineup, Weinstein and Zierler would score again. Ricciuti would also score before the inning was over and the game was called at a final score of 17-0.

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DOUBLE TO RIGHT...Brandon Cuba drills a double to right field in the first inning.

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Burgdorff ERA recently announced that Kevin Barry has joined the company as a Sales Associate in the Westfield Office at 600 North Avenue, West.



Kevin Barry

Prior to entering the real estate field, Mr. Barry was a railroad contractor and utility contractor. He was

School Supplies Sought By Realtors Association

New and gently used school supplies are being collected by the Community Service Committee of the Greater Union County Association of Realtors for distribution to the homeless or those in need. The drive extends through Friday, August 21.

Sought for the collection are all manner of writing implements (pens, pencils, markers, crayons), rulers, scissors, glue sticks, tape and erasers. Also included could be loose leaf paper, folders, binders, zipper pouches and book bags.

This is the first year the Community Service Committee has initiated this particular project, hoping that many donations will be received from people who find they have collected or purchased more of these items than they can use in their normal routine.

Recipients of the articles are to be St. Joseph's homeless program in Elizabeth, the Plainfield Area "Y" for the homeless, the Interfaith Council and other local community programs assisting the less fortunate.

The Greater Union County Association of Realtors just recently completed a successful drive for tired towels, toiletries and linens.

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associated with the Heavy Construction Union and the Laborers International Union of North America.

Mr. Barry has a working knowledge of home construction and can advise his clients about many different facets of a home's structure, according to a Burgdorff spokesman.

He also has an extensive knowledge of home remodeling and landscaping, which has been helpful to his career in residential real estate sales, the spokesman added.

The Sales Associate is a member of the Greater Union County Association of Realtors. He also belongs to the Cranford and Union County softball leagues, the Parent Teacher Organization of Jefferson Elementary School in Westfield, and St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield.

Mr. Barry lives in Westfield with his wife, Lisa, and their three sons.

Motophoto Announces Kids Portrait Contest

Westfield MotoPhoto and Portrait Studio has announced that a children's portrait contest is now underway at the business's new location at 251 North Avenue, next to the train station.

Tot Shots, a national children's portrait contest sponsored by MotoPhoto, has a grand prize of a deluxe Hollywood vacation for four.

Local winners will receive prizes donated by the Westfield MotoPhoto and Portrait Studio, including a \$500 savings bond as a grand prize and six \$50 savings bonds, as well as a two-pack of 20th Century Fox videos.

Every entrant will receive a free 5 x 7 entry portrait, taken by MotoPhoto's award-winning photographer, along with coupons for free French fries from McDonald's on North Avenue in Garwood, or a free ice cream cone.

Local judging will take place in early September by a panel comprised of Westfield Mayor Thomas C. Jardim, Connie O'Dell, Principal of Washington Elementary School, and Dr. Andrew Perry, Principal of Wilson Elementary School, both in Westfield.

Parents interested in entering their child in the MotoPhoto Tot Shots contest may call MotoPhoto and Portrait Studio at (908) 654-3333 to arrange for a free session and 5 x 7 entry portrait.

To be eligible, children must be seven years of age or younger. Winners will be notified.

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Editor's Note: The following is a list of recent college graduates. Due to a back log of graduates in previous weeks, *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times of Scotch Plains and Fanwood* has decided to publish them in a column which will be easier to locate for our readers.

CHRISTINA DUGHI, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dughi of Westfield, received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Hamilton College in Clinton, New York. An art history major at Hamilton, Christina graduated cum laude and earned departmental honors. She is a graduate of the Kent Place School in Summit.

MIA FIORE, of Westfield, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Bard College located in Annandale-on-Hudson, New York.

TIM EDWARD SMITH, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey E. Smith of Westfield, was graduated from the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio, with honors, receiving a bachelor's degree in management.

Graduates from Boston University in Boston, Massachusetts are: **JUSTIN S. BRIDGE**, of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in International Relations; **ALISHA H. KOLSKI**, of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration and Management, summa cum laude, and **MICHAEL McINTYRE**, of Westfield, who received a Master in Business Administration and Management.

KELLY A. GARRELS, the daughter of Maureen M. Garrels of Westfield, was graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English. She is a graduate of the Oldfields High School in Glencoe, Maryland.

CONRAD FARMER, of Westfield, the son of Ms. Beverly Grant, was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management from American International College in Springfield, Massachusetts.

KERRI O'BRIAN, of Scotch Plains, earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Broadcast Journalism and Government and Politics with honors from the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland. She served as President of Kappa Delta Sorority and Vice President of the campus' chapter of Society of Professional Journalists. She is a 1994 graduate of Scotch Plains High School.

Graduates from Middlebury College, in Middlebury Vermont include: **DANIEL A. URBANO**, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon J. Urbano of Westfield who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Physics; **RONALD J. NOBILE**, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald L. Nobile of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Environmental Studies/Economics; **STEPHEN C. MONNINGER**, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Monninger of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Geology/Geography; **MARK R. KOSLOWSKI**, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Koslowsky of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics, and **JESSICA ST. CLAIR**, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael L. St. Clair of Westfield, who received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in American Literature/Theater.

JENNIFER GOTTLICK, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gottlick of Fanwood, was graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work. She is a 1994 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Degrees from Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts were awarded to: **PHILIP D. ROBINSON**, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Friedman of Westfield, who received a bachelor's degree summa cum laude, and **RACHEL MARTIN**, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Martin of Westfield, who received a bachelor's degree cum laude.

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HELP WANTED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
Westfield Rescue Squad seeks trainees for Emergency Medical Technicians. Valid NJ Driver's Lic. req. Min., 4 hrs./wk.

Seeks trainees as Dispatchers. Min. 2 hrs./wk. All training provided.

Call Miki Leitner
(908) 233-2501

HELP WANTED

HAIRDRESSER

Positions available. Full Time shampoo assistant - F/T manicurist for Sunday. Busy Westfield salon. Call (908) 232-8843.

HELP WANTED

P/T BABYSITTER

Needed on weekends in my Scotch Plains home. References required. Call (908) 233-9507.

HELP WANTED

FULL TIME

Office manager/administrator for training company. Responsibilities in HR/AR. Full benefits. Send resume to PO Box 2578, Westfield, NJ 07091 or fax (908) 233-7401.

HELP WANTED

ASST. TEACHERS

P/T asst. teachers needed for Temple Emanu-El Nursery School. Must be enthusiastic, responsible and have experience with children in a group setting.

Call (908) 232-7663
For Appointment & Interview

HELP WANTED

Pre-School music teacher for Thursdays. Send resume to:

Personnel Director - NJWA
150-152 E. Broad St.
Westfield, NJ 07090

HELP WANTED

DRIVER WANTED

Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm for Baron's Drug Store in Westfield. Call (908) 232-6680.

HELP WANTED

WAREHOUSE/ SHIPPING RECEIVING

Full time positions for shipping & receiving dept. Some heavy lifting. Valid N.J. license required. Springfield location. Benefits incl'd. Please Call (973) 564-5005 m/f E.O.E.

EMPLOYMENT WANTED

Housecleaning or Light Hauling — \$65+
"Your Own Personal Maid — Me!" Move-in/move-out. Empty house/apartment/condo/office, etc. Gen. or complete house prep from windows to baseboards. Also, removal of light household items.
(908) 241-6757
(7 Days/24 Hrs.)

EMPLOYMENT WANTED

Experienced woman seeks position to care for the elderly. Live-out or live-in with references. Call (732) 906-7922 after 8pm.

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