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## Law is Sought To Ban Feeding Geese in Town

By SONIA V. OWCHARIW  
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The Friends of Mindowaskin Park are appealing to the Westfield Town Council to introduce an ordinance prohibiting the feeding of Canadian geese in the park as the first step in controlling problems with the water-fowl.

Currently under review by the council's Building and Town Property Committee, the proposed ordinance is being eyed as the initial step in eliminating debris left by the geese along sidewalks near the park, and encouraging the animals to migrate elsewhere.

"It definitely is a nuisance that needs to be addressed," said Second Ward Councilman Matthew P. Albano, who chairs the committee.

What attracts the geese to Westfield?

"Some of the conditions are, of course, the water supply, the lake, short grass," said Susan Debbie, a member of Friends of Mindowaskin Park. The short grass around the lake makes it easy for the geese to take off and land, she noted, adding that the lack of any predators also makes the park an ideal habitat.

The geese population has boomed over the last 10 years. Ironically, they were almost extinct during the 1930s.

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THE 11TH MONTH, THE 11TH DAY, THE 11TH HOUR... On November 11 at 11 a.m., United States military veterans stood before the Westfield World War I Monument near the intersection of Broad Street and North Avenue and paid their respects for all the men and women who served their country and sacrificed their lives in its wars. At exactly 11 a.m., the bell at the First United Methodist Church across the street chimed 11 times as the area was blanketed in melancholy silence.

## Information on FAA Flight Routes Indicates Poor Design on Charts

By PAUL J. PEYTON  
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Flight patterns recently ceased by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) not only failed to reduce air-

craft noise over residential areas below — they also may have endangered the lives of hundreds of passengers, according to information obtained by a local anti-aircraft noise

advocate.

New Jersey's United States Senator and a local Congressman have reserved comment on the information pending a review of the materials.

E. Dennis Hardie, Chairman of the Central Jersey Runway 22 Coalition, Inc., based in Scotch Plains, said he obtained information which indicates that instructions to pilots regarding both the 250- and 260-degree routes on departures from Newark International Airport were misread by pilots who cited poor design on flight charts.

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## CITGO LOT TO BE CHANGED TO METERS

# Council to Vote Tuesday on Raise In Permit Rates

By PAUL J. PEYTON  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

The Westfield Town Council is expected to take action this Tuesday, November 24, to double permit fees at the town's commuter lots on South Avenue and on Watterson Street. The new annual rates, \$480 and \$240, respectively, represent the first increase in fees in eight years.

Westfield commuters may park at permit lots on the south side of the train tracks, while downtown employees with permits may park on the north side of the tracks.

Users of municipal lot No. 9, located at the corner of North and Central Avenues and referred to as the Shell lot, will see a \$10 per month jump as annual rates move from \$360 to \$480.

That increase, though, is not expected to be introduced by ordinance until Tuesday, December 8, the same night at which the new commuter lot rates are expected to be adopted following a public hearing.

If approved, the new rates will increase town revenues by over \$200,000, to around a half million dollars annually for the South Avenue, Watterson, Citgo and Shell lots. The Citgo lot, located adjacent to Trader Joe's on Elm Street, offers parking to downtown employees. Additional fees come from meters in parking lots and on streets.

Permit holders at the municipal lot No. 6 on Watterson Street, adjacent to the Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad headquarters and Holy Trinity Interparochial School, pay \$10 a month if they live in town, and \$15 if they do not.

Those rates will rise to \$20 and \$30. Of the 146 permit holders at the lot, only 10 are non-residents.

Currently, permit holders at the South Avenue lot, adjacent to the train station, pay \$20 a month, or \$60 a quarter. Those fees will be increased.

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## BOE Reviews Hiring Process, Enrollment

By MICHELLE H. LePOIDEVIN  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

During their regular meeting Tuesday, Westfield Board of Education members discussed recruitment and

selection procedures for teachers at the elementary, intermediate and high school levels.

David Tuller, Director of Human Resources, explained the hiring procedure at the elementary level. He reported that a process of recruitment, networking, application screenings, preliminary and multiple interviews, demonstration lessons, and reference checks are all included in the hiring process.

He further stated that each year in March, all applications for teaching positions are taken, and the paperwork, or application screening process, begins. Networking involves visits to colleges and universities for recruitment.

The individual principals of the elementary schools, he explained, will hold 20-minute interviews, followed later by longer interviews. Prospective teachers will undergo approximately three to five interviews during the process.

Candidates are required to participate in demonstration lessons. These lessons allow the interviewers to see how the candidate interacts with students, how knowledge is demonstrated, and how a lesson plan is taught. The final stage of the process is the reference check.

Kenneth Shulack, Principal of Roosevelt Intermediate School, explained the recruitment process at the intermediate school level.

"We hire the best people and the right people to work with our kids," he stressed.

Mr. Shulack noted the importance of finding teachers who will pledge a strong commitment of their time, resources and energy to becoming a part of the Westfield school system.

He stated that it is important to "steer quality candidates toward Westfield."

Mr. Shulack observed that often up

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## Former BOE Members, Activists Offer Diverse Views on Bond Vote

By MICHELLE H. LePOIDEVIN  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Voting season is far from over. The Westfield Board of Education's \$11.7 million bond referendum, which is proposed to construct new classrooms, upgrade and repair schools and wire classrooms for technology, will have voters returning to the polls on Tuesday, December 15.

And former members of the Board of Education who want the bond to get either a green light or a red light are speaking out.

Thomas Madaras, a former school board member, represented an amber light regarding the bond, stating that he wanted to obtain all of the necessary details in order to make a truly informed decision before going to the polls.

However, Mr. Madaras expressed specific concern about how the cost of the bond will affect taxpayers. He is particularly interested in how the tax increase would impact families who are on a strict budget, or those who have experienced downsizing or a cut in salary.

He added that if he was presently serving on the school board, he might have supported the possibility of unbundling the bond if this action were taken prior to having the election ballots printed.

With regard to the enrollment crunch at the elementary school level and the proposed construction of new classrooms, Mr. Madaras pointed to the reconfiguration of classes or "pairing of schools."

He concluded, "There is no magic formula in terms of education at the elementary level."

Susan H. Pepper, who served as President of the Westfield Board of Education when the 1994 bond was

proposed, stated that she would give the referendum a green light.

"I wholeheartedly support it," she stated.

She added that she would only consider unbundling the bond if one of the components was considered an option.

However, Ms. Pepper observed that all three components of the referendum are essential and necessary for the school district.

"Westfield has, over the years, continued to provide quality education and in these times, you cannot provide quality education with elementary class sizes of 27 to 28 students each," she stated.

Ms. Pepper noted that in 1994, citizens believed that Westfield was experiencing a passing "baby boom," and that the need to construct new classrooms was a fickle trend.

"It's here to stay for a long time," she stressed.

Regarding the need for art and music classrooms at the elementary level, which are not included in the proposed construction of new classrooms, Ms. Pepper stated that if a drop in enrollment is experienced, these classrooms might be free for art and music instruction.

She said she feels that in Union County, Westfield schools are behind the game in wiring for technology, and that the proposed wiring is essential.

"I think bonding is wise," she stated. "It spreads out the tax impact over time. The facilities are in such dire need of these improvements that none of this is optional," observed Ms. Pepper.

In a letter issued by former school board member Melba Nixon, she stated, "I applaud Dr. William Foley

and the Westfield Board of Education for developing a strategic plan for continued excellence in the

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RUNNING AROUND, THROUGH AND OVER THE WOLFPACK... Westfield High School runningback Todd Dowling, No. 44, runs around the West Morris Central line during the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 quarterfinal game at Gary Kehler Stadium in Westfield on November 14. Seniors, Gabe Perez, No. 81, Rob Albino, No. 53, and Lamont Turner, No. 8, made sure that the Blue Devils ran around, through and over the Wolfpack as they nearly made them an endangered species, winning 30-6. Westfield will travel to Parsippany Hills at 1 p.m. on November 21. Please see a story on Page 13.

## Vicki's Diner Prepares to Serve Annual Thanksgiving Day Feast

By SUSAN M. DYCKMAN  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Next week, Vicki Pavlou and her husband, Tom, will celebrate Thanksgiving with hundreds of their closest friends as Vicki's Diner on Broad Street in Westfield shares free Thanksgiving dinners with its customers.

Her Thanksgiving Day menu will feature the traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings: two vegetables, stuffing, cranberry sauce and, of course, a choice of pumpkin or apple pie to complete the meal. Vicki's will serve dinner from noon to 4 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26.

With her parents and three sisters in Greece, Mrs. Pavlou, who emigrated to this country 26 years ago, treasures her customers, her American family.

"We laugh, we cry together," she said.

Every visitor to the vintage '50s

style-diner is greeted with a warm smile and familiar greeting. Vicki's buzzes with business discussions and the chatter of friends pausing in the midst of their holiday shopping.

Among her "regulars," Mrs. Pavlou lists second and third generations of families whom she has come to know through her 13 years in Westfield. Prior to the opening of Vicki's Diner, Mrs. Pavlou owned a coffee shop for 11 years.

Last year, 300 people - including families, senior citizens and homeless individuals, plus "people with no place else to go" - feasted on companionship as well as the delectable turkey dinner. (Vicki's cooked 23 birds in 1997.) Mrs. Pavlou expects many more guests this year.

"This year, it's word-of-mouth advertising," she explained. No reservations are required.

"It's first come, first served," she added.

Adding to the festivity of the day is the fact that the extra help required to serve the multitude of holiday visitors comes from volunteers - Vicki's

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LIBRARY FRIENDS PLAN GALA... To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the completion of the new Westfield Library, a committee of the Friends of the Library are planning a gala party, open to the everyone in town, on Saturday, December 12. Pictured, left to right, are: front row, Linda Giuditta, Anne Arkel, Jane Stepanski and Library Director Barbara Thiele, and second row, Letty Hudak, Jane Curtis, Party Chairwoman Eva Wiley, Sadie Scholl and Lynn Kollerjahn. Please see a story on Page 5.



THANKSGIVING GUESTS... Vicki Pavlou, center, the owner of Vicki's Diner on East Broad Street, and her family are once again inviting the public for a traditional turkey dinner at no charge on Thanksgiving Day. Last year Mrs. Pavlou greeted customers with her daughter, Rena. Mrs. Pavlou and her husband, Tom, are also the parents of a son, Teddy.

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## Council to Vote Tuesday On Raise in Permit Rates

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ing to \$40 and \$120. Rates at the Citgo lot, also known as municipal lot No. 8, will remain the same. Those rates are already at \$40 a month.

Fourth Ward Councilman Lawrence A. Goldman suggested that Westfield residents be given preference at the Watterson Street lot, with non-residents allowed to maintain permits if they have them.

Officials have said those persons who pay annually and semi-annually would receive a discount. For instance, an individual who pays annually at the South Avenue lot will end up paying for 48 instead of 52 weeks.

Third Ward Councilman Neil F. Sullivan, Jr., Chairman of the council's Transportation, Parking and Traffic Committee, said the goal is to make the permits more equitable, thus cutting down the disparity between rates at the various lots in town.

"We have to price what we have appropriately," said Councilman Sullivan.

Mayor Thomas C. Jardim said he believes the issue is more about reducing waiting lists at the permit lots, specifically the South Avenue lot, where 900 people remain on the list. Officials noted that people can be put on both commuter lists at the same time.

He said the problem, as he sees it, is that the town does not appear to have enough parking capacity for train commuters.

Westfield, with 1,500 daily commuters, is the largest station on NJ Transit's Raritan Valley Line. Roughly 80 percent of the commuters travel to New York City.

Mayor Jardim, who at one point asked that the matter be deferred for more discussion over his concerns, called the rate hikes "a significant increase."

The change will double the permits at the South Avenue train station lot, referred to as municipal lot no. 3, from \$240 per year to \$480 per year, and at the Watterson Street lot from \$120 to \$240 annually.

The South Avenue and Watterson lots are geared solely for commuters, while downtown employees park at the Citgo and Shell lots.

In an effort to free up parking in downtown Westfield for the fast approaching holiday season, the council also agreed to convert 22 spaces at the Citgo lot from permit to short-term metered spaces immediately. The plan is to eventually convert all 88 spaces at the lot to short-term meters.

The governing body will also be discussing a plan to combine the Citgo lot and municipal lot No. 1 on Prospect Street within the next few weeks when it begins reviewing the capital improvements portion of the 1999 municipal budget.

The Prospect Street lot has 125 spaces divided between long-term and short-term meters and permit spaces.

Councilman Sullivan said he had hoped to launch a pilot program in

advance of installing a centralized pay station in the lot. A manned station would have been created, with users paying an accelerated fee after the normal 50 cent fee for two hours.

However, due to the lateness in the year, the conversion to meters is the only option left to ensure more short-term spaces are available for the shopping season.

Mr. Sullivan said he believes Citgo permit holders could move over to the South Avenue and Shell lots, or perhaps park in long-term metered spots without having to pay for the meter.

Town Administrator Edward A. Gottko noted that the town will probably receive complaints when permit holders are displaced at the Citgo lot.

"We are squeezing the balloon in one place and it will pop out somewhere else," he said in explaining the displacement of the permit spaces. "You are going to have 20 some odd people coming down saying, 'I paid for the Citgo lot and I can't park there anymore.'"

"I understand what you are trying to do. I just don't know if this is the right time to be playing around with people downtown," he continued, noting that 80 some commuters who park at the Lord & Taylor lot on North Avenue will soon be displaced when the lot is closed to non-shoppers for the holiday season.

Second Ward Councilman James J. Gruba, while supporting the need make Citgo a short-term lot, also questioned the timing of the change.

While noting it was "a close call" for him, Mayor Jardim agreed that the first of spaces along the wall of Taylor Hardware on Elm Street need to be converted over at this time.

"Timing is an issue that is always going to be there because you're always going to think whether it's the appropriate time to do it," the Mayor said. "But if the reasons are justified, I don't know if any time is better than the present."

Without the action, Councilman Sullivan said the council would not have addressed the issue of moving long-term parkers out of the business district, and increasing the number of short-term spaces.

In terms of metered spaces, users of the eight-hour spaces pay around \$2 a day, or \$40 a month, while 12-hour users actually pay a daily charge of \$3. Meter fees, set at 25 cents per hour, have not risen since the mid-1980s.

The council will also introduce an ordinance Tuesday night to ban parking on the roadway at Tamaques Park effective Friday, January 1. Under a second ordinance, also to be unveiled next week, motorists will not be permitted to "stop or stand" on the roadway in the park. The ordinances are aimed at reducing safety concerns in the park.

Also, a 15-miles-per-hour speed limit will be set in a separate ordinance for Dixon Avenue at the entrance to the park.

## Data on FAA Flight Routes Indicates Poor Chart Design

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He cited previous statements made by the FAA that tests of the new flight patterns had failed because pilots could not pick up weak radio signals from Solberg Navigational Aids false, based on the new information.

Upon receiving the signal, pilots were supposed to turn west toward Solberg, which is in Hunterdon County.

Mr. Hardie said the end result was aircraft passing the turning point to intercept the Solberg signal, per the flight instructions for the 250- and 260-degree turns, and flying directly into LaGuardia Airport's arrival air space. He compared this error to a motor vehicle going the wrong way on a busy one-way street.

Mr. Hardie obtained aviation safety reports filed by pilots as per the Freedom of Information Act. The data shows that pilots failed to make the western turn, and controllers complained that pilots were not complying with departure tracks. At this point the controller gave the pilots heading changes to intercept the Solberg Navigation Aid.

In one report, the pilot recommended that the new process be placed in bold print in the flight instructions to ensure they are followed by pilots. Another pilot indicated that the information on where to make the turn towards the Solberg device was "buried in the text and hard to extract."

Still another report stated that neither the pilot nor the co-pilot noticed the new turning procedure regarding when they were to intercept the Solberg signal.

Jerome Feder, Chairman of the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board, said the pilot reports would indicate that the 260-degree turn had not solved the problems from other routes the FAA had attempted.

Mr. Feder said the information also shows that the FAA has been "less than candid" in its presentations to the public regarding implementations of the new flight paths.

He said the Noise Advisory Board, which Mr. Hardie serves on as the Scotch Plains representative, is in the process of putting together a detailed report on the 260-degree turn.

He said the FAA is currently conducting an environmental impact study on the route which indicates the agency is planning to implement the route as the long-term solution to the air traffic noise problem.

Concerns over air traffic noise have been in the news for the past decade, since the FAA implemented its Expanded East Coast Plan. The routes were aimed at reducing the stacking of aircraft at the three major metropolitan airports — Newark, LaGuardia and Kennedy — thereby eliminating flight delays for airlines.

After pressure from citizens groups, Congress mandated that the FAA conduct an Environmental Impact Study as required by the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990.

According to the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board, the study cost \$6 million and took six years to

complete.

As a result of the study, the FAA unveiled its so-called Solberg Mitigation Proposal whereby airplane routes were to spread apart to reduce noise over Union County. Under the plan, planes were to proceed about 6.5 miles south of Newark Airport before making a westerly turn toward the Solberg Navigational Aid in Hunterdon County.

That plan spread plane patterns over Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, Morris, Warren and Sussex Counties to reduce air traffic noise, mostly in the western Union County area.

The Advisory Board has noted that prior to implementation of the 260-degree turn, aircraft flew a 220-degree course where they gained altitude over industrialized areas of the Arthur Kill waterway, following a path developed in the late 1980s by FAA noise abatement experts.

The 260-degree heading places air traffic closer to populated areas. The Advisory Board has indicated that the heading shortens flight paths by two miles from the 220-degree heading and produces aircraft flying 1,000 feet lower.

The 260-degree route, implemented earlier this year, essentially involved the rerouting of 25 percent of Newark Airport departures, or 100 daily flights.

Mr. Hardie noted that he has sent the information to the offices of Congressman Bob Franks, who represents the Seventh District, and United States Senators Robert G. Torricelli and Frank Lautenberg. A spokeswoman for Mr. Franks said the Congressman and his staff needed more time to review the documents before making a public comment.

A representative of Senator Lautenberg said the information had not been received as of Monday afternoon.

Mr. Hardie has asked officials to initiate an investigation through the General Accounting Office.

He said the probe should include questions on the amount of funds and resources used by the FAA to develop the Environmental Impact Study of air traffic routes over the state and the FAA's attempts to implement the Solberg plan and route changes, including the 260-degree turn.

He also has demanded an explanation as to why the Solberg Plan has not been implemented as written, and why the FAA continued with the tests of the 250- and 260-degree routes "in spite of numerous incidents in which aviation safety was compromised."

The Coalition has also sought action to ensure that the 250- and 260-degree routes are "never re-implemented in any way, shape, or form."

"I think we have been more than patient with them (FAA)," said Mr. Hardie. "I think it is time our elected officials put some pressure on them."

The FAA has proposed a complete overhaul of the airspace over the metropolitan area as the long range solution to increased air traffic, as well as air noise on residential areas.

## Law is Sought to Ban Feeding Geese in Town

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and are now highly visible all over New Jersey, as well as other parts of the East Coast.

The ordinance would ban the feeding of geese in Westfield. Since there is no town law prohibiting the practice, such a regulation currently cannot be enforced, claim representatives of the Friends.

Councilman Albano said he anticipates the issue being discussed in the next week or so. In addition to an ordinance, he said some communities have had success with flying a large balloon over the geese, which helps to relocate them.

"We're conservationists and we are animal-friendly. Continuing to feed the geese is not ecologically safe for the geese or for the lake," said Nancy Priest, President of Friends of Mindowaskin Park.

The next measure, which has had success in towns such as South Orange and Clarkstown, New York, as well as at Passaic Valley High School, is retaining a Border collie to help manage geese populations.

There are two reasons the dog has proven successful with controlling geese. The breed, known as a "stock control dog," is very trainable and takes commands eagerly. More importantly, however, the Border collie resembles the arctic fox, which is a natural predator of the geese, according to Eugene Sheninger, Past President of North East Border Collie and Consultant to the American Border Collie Association.

"Introducing the Border collie to help

with the geese controlling problem is a non-lethal and effective approach," said Mr. Sheninger, who trains these dogs and said he has seen this situation improve when the breed was used.

He said once a female goose has laid her eggs — one is laid every 26 hours — it is difficult to move the nest. "The goal is to make it uncomfortable to habitat, but not dangerous for the geese," said Mr. Sheninger.

Clarkstown residents experienced such difficulties with geese a couple of years ago that 385 of the fowl were killed in an attempt to eradicate the problem. The effort failed, however, and the geese returned.

Groups such as the Federal Department of Environmental Conservation, animal rights activists and the Humane Society expressed outrage over these measures, according to Mr. Sheninger, who helped the town rout the geese in a less drastic manner with the help of a trained Border Collie.

Only when a Border Collie was used was there a significant decrease in the geese returning, Mr. Sheninger said.

According to the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, there a number of techniques which have proven effective in discouraging Canadian geese from nesting in an area.

USDA experts say these methods should be used in conjunction with one another, however, since the geese will quickly adapt to any single technique.

## Bd. of Ed. Reviews Hiring Process and Enrollment

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to 200 applications will be received for a teaching position in social studies, while 12 to 13 applications will be obtained for a position as a mathematics teacher.

Among some of the qualifications sought by employers at the intermediate level, Mr. Shulack listed knowledge, instructional technique, implementation of technology, ability to grow into a long-term position, flexibility, ability to respond under pressure, and caring for children.

Candidates will teach a 40-minute sample lesson. In a "post-observation conference," Mr. Shulack stated that candidates will discuss their impressions of the lesson.

References will be checked and employers reported that they would hope the employee might anticipate a long-term career with the Westfield school district.

After being hired, the teachers are welcomed with orientations, supervisor support and a Welcome Breakfast.

Dr. Robert G. Petix, Principal of Westfield High School, detailed the three-year hiring process at the high school level.

He explained that it is important to first determine the needs of the department which is seeking a teacher. Other factors include the specific discipline or area which the teacher will instruct, versatility, gender balance, how the candidate relates to the students, if the candidate is open to criticism, and the style or quality of life that the candidate can add to the classroom and the Westfield community.

Mr. Petix stressed that the high school networks with a "consortium of ivy league-type colleges," and consults department chairpersons and advertisements in local newspapers in order to obtain a strong pool of candidates.

After the application screening, candidates are invited to multiple interviews and have the opportunity to meet with teachers and students in the specific department for which they are applying. Students also provide input after the candidate completes a demonstration or sample lesson.

In the first year of the hiring process, the candidate's potential, how they react to the students, community, parents and supervisor, is analyzed and determined.

In the second year of the process, supervisors set specific standards for the teacher/teachers to determine if they can rise to challenges and pursue their goals.

In the third year of the process, supervisors analyze if the individual is a "good, solid teacher" who is willing to grow and project their future potential.

If after this process, the teacher is not a good match for the school system, Dr. Petix stated, "When in doubt, move 'em out." He stated that he is always trying to ensure that the high school hires the cream of the crop through its process.

"We hope for the best," he concluded.

In a brief Superintendent's Report, Dr. William J. Foley discussed re-examination of the enrollment projections for the school district, pointing to the enrollment crunch and the upcoming bond referendum.

Dr. Foley referred to a report received this week from Westfield demographer and research consultant Sara K. Weissman. According to the report, "the enrollment is expected to grow at a more rapid rate in the next five years than in the last decade."

The report states that while 290 high school seniors will graduate this year, 430 kindergartners will join Westfield schools.

Dr. Foley stated, "These new projections further support the need for more classrooms at the elementary level. The bond referendum proposed by the Citizens' Advisory Committee, which will be presented for public vote on December 15, will also give us the ability to make major capital improvements to our aging schools, and to equip them with the technology infrastructure to enhance our curriculum and improve communication."

Dr. Foley noted that the Westfield birth rate is not declining, but rather increasing. He stated an initial birth rate report did not indicate the situation was as grave as it has become.

"The problem is a bit more intense than even I expected," he explained.

Dr. Foley stressed that he "became alarmed" when he realized that there were no available regular classrooms or spaces available for music and art classrooms.

The board heard a statement by Sally Bauer Doerr of Westfield regarding the nighttime lights at Gary Kehler stadium.

She stated that she represents a large part of the Westfield community who did not feel the nighttime football game or the accompanying lights were disturbing or dangerous. She also noted that the game did not continue until 11 p.m., as originally stated by a concerned resident of Beechwood Place.

"The game ended between 9:30 and 9:40 p.m. The crowd promptly dispersed without any mishaps, and the field, stands and neighboring streets were empty by 10:15 the latest," she remarked.

"If there was any noise at 11 p.m., it had nothing to do with the football game."

In her statement, she cited the "heavy police presence" at all times. She noted that Westfield police were prepared for all possible situations and they had confirmed that there "were no incidents or problems of any kind — drinking or otherwise — the night of the game."

She concluded, "the stadium was built, and is built in every town, for the purpose of allowing the school students, teachers, parents, friends and general interested community the opportunity to watch our school teams perform. This is a good thing — not something to be feared or criticized — but applauded."

## Vicki's Diner Prepares Annual Thanksgiving Feast

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own customers — plus a handful of Westfield police officers.

The Pavlou's son, Ted, works in Vicki's full-time, while daughter, Rena, helps out after her college classes.

One of Vicki's regular customers stopped to congratulate her for continuing the free Thanksgiving dinners.

"You are most generous," the gentleman said. "It shows where your heart is."

"You know we love you," Mrs. Pavlou replied, patting him on the arm.

"I like to help people," she said simply.

Prior to opening her diner, Mrs. Pavlou contributed regularly to homeless shelters in the area. Once she and her husband opened Vicki's, "we had our own room to entertain in," she said. And, entertain they have.

Once she and her husband opened Vicki's, "We had our own room to entertain in," she said.

That gave rise to the idea of hosting Thanksgiving dinner.

The generosity of the Pavlou family to the community of Westfield is truly something to be thankful for this holiday season.

## Former BOE Members Offer Views on Bond Vote

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Westfield Public Schools. Some elements of that plan have already been implemented, and others will follow."

She continued, "Several hundred people (educators and citizens) have been engaged in taking stock of our assets and liabilities and recommending ways to move forward into the 21st century. We, as a community, are being asked to support a bond that will underwrite some of these initiatives."

Mrs. Nixon further noted, "As I understand the bond proposal, there are essential elements — develop and enhance a communications infrastructure; repair and maintain our buildings; and build new classrooms."

"As for the first initiative, it is imperative that all of our children have the opportunity to be completely computer literate," she stated.

She observed, "As for the second element, we must make needed repairs and, where possible, improve energy efficiency in our school buildings."

"It is the third element, i.e., the building of new classrooms, that needs some thought," she added.

"It is the conventional wisdom that smaller classes are better. The rationale

for having ever smaller classes seems to be the belief that test scores, college acceptances, and graduation rates from college will be enhanced if class sizes are reduced," she noted.

"It is true that for school populations where few students have pre-school experiences, 10 percent or more of the students speak English as a second language and family and community support systems are fragile, reducing class size is helpful," she maintained.

"For towns like Westfield, I know of no studies that validate the reduction of class sizes from the high twenties to the low twenties and achieving improved performance," she continued.

"Westfielders overwhelmingly support high quality education and are willing to pay whatever is needed to underwrite excellence. Westfielders do insist on good value for their money; whether individual tax increases are a few hundred dollars or a few thousand dollars," she stated.

Mrs. Nixon concluded, "If the proposal put before the voters in December is for much-needed technology enhancements and refurbishing our school buildings, I believe the town will vote a resounding 'yes.'"



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**MAKING IT FIVE IN-A-ROW...**The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School boys' soccer team assembles in the middle of Shimme Wexler Field in Scotch Plains after defeating Parsippany Hills, 2-0, in the finals of the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 Tournament on November 13. The Raiders went on to defeat Northern Highlands in a shootout in the Group 3 semifinals in Westfield on November 17 and will face Delsea for the Group 3 Championship tomorrow night at 8 p.m. at the College of New Jersey in Ewing. The Raiders have won five state championships and are presently the defending champions.

### Suspect Sought in Armed Robbery At First Savings Bank in Fanwood

By SUZETTE F. STALKER  
Specially Written for The Times

Authorities are seeking a man who committed an armed robbery Tuesday morning at the First Savings Bank at South Avenue and Second Street in Fanwood — the first known

bank robbery ever to have occurred in the borough.

No one was injured as a result of the incident, which occurred shortly after 10:30 a.m. The suspect remained at large as of yesterday, law enforcement officials confirmed, as local

police and the FBI continued a joint investigation of the case. Robbery of a bank is a Federal crime.

According to FBI spokeswoman Monica Patton, the suspect asked a bank employee for a job application,

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### Information on FAA Flight Routes Indicates Poor Design on Charts

By PAUL J. PEYTON  
Specially Written for The Times

Flight patterns recently ceased by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) not only failed to reduce aircraft noise over residential areas below — they also may have endangered the lives of hundreds of passengers, according to information obtained by a local anti-aircraft noise advocate.

New Jersey's United States Senator and a local Congressman have reserved comment on the information pending a review of the materials.

E. Dennis Hardie, Chairman of the Central Jersey Runway 22 Coalition, Inc., based in Scotch Plains, said he obtained information which indicates that instructions to pilots regarding both the 250- and 260-degree routes on departures from Newark International Airport were misread by pilots who cited poor design on flight charts.

He cited previous statements made by the FAA that tests of the new flight patterns had failed because pilots could not pick up weak radio signals from Solberg Navigational Aid as false, based on the new information.

Upon receiving the signal, pilots were supposed to turn west toward Solberg, which is in Hunterdon County.

Mr. Hardie said the end result was aircraft passing the turning point to intercept the Solberg signal, per the flight instructions for the 250- and 260-degree turns, and flying directly into LaGuardia Airport's arrival airspace. He compared this error to a motor vehicle going the wrong way on a busy one-way street.

Mr. Hardie obtained aviation safety reports filed by pilots as per the Freedom of Information Act. The data shows that pilots failed to make the western turn, and controllers complained that pilots were not complying with departure tracks. At this point the controller gave the pilots heading changes to intercept the Solberg Navigational Aid.

In one report, the pilot recommended that the new process be placed in bold print in the flight instructions to ensure they are followed by pilots. Another pilot indicated that the information on where to make the turn towards the Solberg device was "buried in the text and hard to extract."

Still another report stated that neither the pilot nor the co-pilot noticed the new turning procedure regarding when they were to intercept the Solberg signal.

Jerome Feder, Chairman of the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board, said the pilot reports would indicate that the 260-degree turn had not solved the problems from other routes the FAA had attempted.

Mr. Feder said the information also shows that the FAA has been "less than candid in its presentations to the public" regarding implementations of the new flight paths.

He said the Noise Advisory Board, which Mr. Hardie serves on as the Scotch Plains representative, is in the process of putting together a detailed report on the 260-degree turn.

He said the FAA is currently conducting an environmental impact study on the route which indicates the agency is planning to implement the route as the long-term solution to the air traffic noise problem.

Concerns over air traffic noise have been in the news for the past decade, since the FAA implemented its Expanded East Coast Plan. The routes

were aimed at reducing the stacking of aircraft at the three major metropolitan airports — Newark,

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Suzette F. Stalker for The Times  
**ANNIVERSARY LAUDED...**Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly, left, presents a 25th anniversary proclamation to Sally Drewes, Store Manager of Irma's Bag, during last week's Fanwood Borough Council meeting. The local Hallmark store, located on South Martine Avenue in Fanwood, was praised for "responding to the needs of the community" through its merchandise and support over the years of various charitable organizations.

### Fanwood Officials Hope to Review Storm Response Tactics for Public

By SUZETTE F. STALKER  
Specially Written for The Times

During last Thursday's regular meeting of the Fanwood Borough Council, Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly said officials hope to hold a public meeting soon to review the impact of the severe Labor Day storm and how the community can improve its preparedness for such an event in the future.

She revealed that members of the borough's Emergency Management Team, headed by Police Chief Robert Carboy, met recently with Public Service Electric and Gas (PSE&G) representatives to discuss the storm and how local units and the utility company responded to the crisis.

The storm, which pummeled the region with tornado-like force, caused extensive damage in Fanwood. Numerous trees and wires were felled,

homes and cars sustained damage, and 80 percent of the borough experienced power failure.

Among the topics discussed at the meeting with PSE&G, according to the Mayor, were enhanced communication, tools for early storm assessment, prioritizing damage areas, potential evacuation procedures, and sophisticated surveillance techniques.

Besides Mayor Connelly and Chief Carboy, Fanwood's Emergency Management Team includes local administrative, police, fire and rescue squad personnel, and the Department of Public Works.

Under other business last week, council members tabled an ordinance, which had been scheduled for a second reading, to formally designate existing bus stops along South and Midway Avenues.

Introduced on October 15, the measure would regulate 17 bus stops, including four in each direction on both roads, plus one on the Fanwood side of the South Avenue and Terrill

### Arguments Heard on Value Of Scotch Plains Zoo Lot

By JEANNE WHITNEY  
Specially Written for The Times

A panel of three court appointed Condemnation Commissioners heard arguments last week from Sunrise Assisted Living and Scotch Plains Township attorneys over just how much the former Scotch Plains Zoo property is valued.

Located at the intersection of Raritan and Terrill Roads, an appraisal of the six-and-a-half acre lot by the township puts the asking price for the lot at \$535,000, officials said. Reportedly, Sunrise Assisted Living, who bought the property from the former owners more than a year ago, is asking the township for \$1.1 million for the site.

Sunrise paid over \$800,000 for the property and earlier this year proposed giving two acres of the site to the township, while building a housing facility on the remaining acreage. The Township Council rejected the offer, saying the two acres offered were the "worst part" of the property and that they wanted the entire lot.

Subsequently, the Council moved to seize the property from Sunrise under the "right of eminent domain" which designates the property for public use. Council members said they wanted the property left as a passive park and considered restoring a structure on the property called the "Aunt Betty Frazee House" that is said to date, in part, from the Revolutionary War era.

Previous owners of the Terry Lou Zoo, Frank and the late Louise Terry, lived in the house on the property.

After the township condemned the property earlier this year and took ownership of it, under the law, a "fair" or "just" price must still be paid to the former owner.

It is on this point that the township and Sunrise can not agree — there is half a million dollars difference between the two figures.

According to attorney for the township, Albert Cruz, the township's appraisal is based on the property's existing zoning, being that of single-

family residential zone.

Reportedly, Sunrise based the property's value on the likelihood that a zoning change for the lot would be looked upon favorably by the township Zoning Board, and that numerous assisted living units would be built at the site.

Both the township and Sunrise will submit written arguments to the Condemnation Commissioners by Monday, January 4, of next year, and the Commission should settle on a dollar amount for the lot by the end of

January, Mr. Cruz said.

Councilwoman-elect Geri Samuel expressed concern during the election where the township would get additional money to pay off Sunrise for the zoo property. The township received \$100,000 from Union County's "pocket park" program this year for the lot.

Councilman-elect Tarquin Jay Bromley said during the campaign that the former zoo property should not be developed because of its steep

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William A. Burke for The Times

**EXAMINING DAMAGE...**Firefighters examine damage to Hung's Shangai Restaurant on Park Avenue in Scotch Plains following a fire late Saturday night. No one was injured, although damage was severe enough to close the establishment for repairs for two months.

### Local Restaurant Loses Kitchen to Night Fire Saturday in Township

By JEANNE WHITNEY  
Specially Written for The Times

The kitchen of Hung's Shanghai, a Chinese restaurant on Park Avenue in the Scotch Plains downtown, burned Saturday night when grease in the exhaust vents above the stoves caught fire, igniting the ceiling and roof of the building.

No diners were in the restaurant at the time of the blaze, 9:45 p.m., according to township Fire Chief Jonathan Ellis, although several employees were present. No injuries were reported.

An unnamed employee of the restaurant said the damaged eatery would re-open for business in about two months, after repairs.

Estimates on the dollar amount of damage were not available but Chief Ellis said fire damage was contained

to the rear of the building where the blaze began. However, there was extensive smoke and water damage to the remaining areas of the restaurant, he said.

Firefighters spent four hours at the site, extinguishing the blaze and confirming that the fire would not re-start.

"This had the potential to be big," Chief Ellis said about the fire, "but we confined the damage to one portion of the restaurant." There is only a narrow alley separating the Chinese restaurant and the neighboring historic Stage House restaurant.

According to Chief Ellis, water sprinklers between the dropped ceiling and the roof of the restaurant did turn on and helped contain the blaze

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### Fanwood Foundation Created To Aid Charitable Programs

By SUZETTE F. STALKER  
Specially Written for The Times

Administrators of the newly-established Fanwood Community Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501 (c) 3 corporation, said this week they believe the organization will help generate long-term funding for educational and charitable endeavors within the community.

Recently incorporated with the State of New Jersey, the Foundation was the brainchild of Fred J. Chemidlin, Jr., the owner of Family Investors in Fanwood, who com-

mitted the initial \$5,000 to the fledgling organization. Now living in Westfield, he is one of nine trustees who govern the Foundation.

Mr. Chemidlin, a member of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club, said he believes members of the public need to help fund local programs themselves, through endowments and the like, rather than relying exclusively on financial support from the government.

"I think this is what towns have to do as time goes on," he told The Times on Tuesday, adding that he felt the organization "will work out very well."

Trustee board members hope to eventually acquire tax-exempt status for the foundation from the Internal Revenue Service, which would allow donors to make tax-deductible contributions.

Obtaining this status typically takes about a year from the time the application is made, according to Councilman Joel Whitaker, who also sits on the trustee board.

Mr. Whitaker said he anticipated that moneys generated through gifts to the Foundation would "provide some stable funding sources" to Fanwood's Volunteer Rescue Squad and its Fire Company, as well as programs such as the Tiny Tim Fund, which benefit needy families in the area.

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**IN MEMORIAL AND REMEMBRANCE...**Joe McCourt and members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 10122 and American Legion Post No. 209 presided over a ceremony in the front of the World War II Memorial in Scotch Plains on Veteran's Day. Mayor Joan Papen also attended the ceremony.

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LITTLE MISS FANNY WOOD...Union County Freeholder Linda d. Stender recently presented a resolution to Kerry Plante of Fanwood and congratulated the Brunner Elementary School second grade student, who was chosen "Little Miss Fanny Wood" during the Fanny Wood Day celebration held in Fanwood. Pictured, left to right, are: Freeholder Stender, Kerry Plante, and Patricia and Thomas Plante, Kerry's parents.

## Freeholder Stender Honors Little Miss Fanny Wood

Union County Freeholder Linda d. Stender recently sponsored a resolution in honor of 7-year-old Kerry Plante, who competed and won the title of first Little Miss Fanny Wood during the recent Fanny Wood Day celebration in Fanwood on September 27.

"In order to win the title of Little Miss Fanny Wood, Kerry had to answer questions about her town. Her knowledge, poise and confidence were evident factors that helped the

judges chose her as the winner," Freeholder Stender said.

Kerry is a lifelong resident of Fanwood who attends Brunner Elementary School. She enjoys swimming, Irish dancing lessons and Brownies.

"I join all the Freeholders in wholeheartedly extending our sincerest congratulations to Kerry for winning the Little Miss Fanny Wood contest," Freeholder Stender, a former mayor of the community, said.

## Arguments Heard on Value Of Scotch Plains Zoo Lot

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grade and swampy terrain.

"I don't think it's worth trying to make a museum out of the house either," Mr. Bromley added, referring to the Frazee house.

Warren Township real estate developer Mitchell Berlant initially bought the property from zoo owners Harold and Debra Kafka for \$338,000 and agreed to pay off a \$355,000 mortgage on the property held by the previous owners of the zoo, the Terrys.

The Terrys operated the zoo for nearly 40 years until 1993.

The Kafkas lost permits to operate the zoo after the New Jersey Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife on charges that the zoo was unsatisfactory for animal life and closed it for reasons of "public safety and animal welfare." At one point, a custodian was appointed by the court to oversee the operation of the zoo.

Mr. Kafka later pleaded guilty in Scotch Plains Municipal Court to inadequate housing of certain zoo animals and was fined over \$5,000.

Most of the 70 animals were moved to another facility in June of last year.



UNDER INVESTIGATION...Investigators confer outside the First Savings Bank in Fanwood Tuesday morning, after a suspect armed with a handgun stole an undisclosed amount of money, believed to be several thousand dollars, before fleeing in a getaway car parked nearby. No one was injured. The FBI is working with Fanwood authorities on the case.

## Suspect Sought in Armed Robbery at Fanwood Bank

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and while standing at the customer service desk, pulled out a silver handgun. He then approached a teller and ordered money to be placed in a canvas bag he was carrying, the spokeswoman acknowledged.

The suspect subsequently fled on foot along Second Street and entered a parked car near LaGrande Avenue, Fanwood Police Chief Robert Carboy revealed.

The vehicle, described as a royal blue, two-door hatchback resembling a Mazda RX-7, was last seen traveling westbound on LaGrande Avenue, the Chief confirmed.

Ms. Patton declined to reveal the amount of money taken from First Savings, but said it was "higher than the national average" taken during bank robberies, which is between

\$3,000 and \$6,000.

Authorities did not disclose how many people were in the bank at the time the holdup transpired, and it is unknown whether any accomplices were waiting in the getaway vehicle.

The robbery suspect was described as a light-skinned Hispanic male, in his early 20s, 5 feet and 7 inches tall, with a thin build and scruffy facial hair, Chief Carboy stated.

He wore gold-rimmed glasses and was wearing a knit cap, a three-quarter length black nylon jacket, jeans and work boots, the Chief added.

Chief Carboy stated the bank robbery was apparently a first in Fanwood's history. He said there did not appear to be a connection between this case and any others.

## Fanwood Officials Hope To Review Storm Response

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Another ordinance was introduced on first reading which would amend current side and rear yard setbacks for accessory structures in residential zones.

The measure, also slated for a public hearing on December 10, would enable homeowners to install sheds in the corner of their properties rather than having to place them in the middle of their yards in order to conform to regulations.

Officials tabled their introduction of an ordinance dealing with placement of leaves on public property, after Borough Attorney Dennis Estis recommended that the language of the decree be broadened to include brush and bulky materials as well.

Under the expanded ordinance, which is expected to appear on next month's council agenda, leaves and other debris could be placed in borough right-of-ways so long as they are not in front of neighbors' properties.

Resolutions were approved amending the 1998 municipal budget to reflect a \$15,000 grant received from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for exterior renovations to the Fanwood Memorial Library, and for a \$1,500 county arts grant to fund a cultural arts poetry reading program at the Carriage House.

An additional resolution confirmed

the awarding of a contract for \$5,825 to Mark Alan Hewitt of Bernardsville for architectural services related to renovations at the Carriage House.

Earlier in the meeting, the governing body issued proclamations saluting Irma's Bag of Fanwood on its 25th anniversary, as well as Veterans Day on November 11 and American Education Week, observed from November 15 to 21.

Finally, Councilwoman Karen M. Schurtz and Councilwoman-elect Katherine Mitchell, both Democrats, received a round of congratulations from officials on their recent victories in this year's race for two open seats on Fanwood's governing body.

Mayor Connelly also received kudos on her strong challenge to Congressman Bob Franks for the contested Seventh District seat. Mr. Franks was re-elected to a fourth term on November 3.

Officials, including Councilwoman Schurtz, also extended a nod to Wilfred P. Coronato and David Trumpp, who ran for council on the Republican ticket, for having sought public office.

Mrs. Schurtz described her opponents, who came to Borough Hall on Election Night to congratulate the winners, as "a class act." She also thanked her own family for their support during the recent campaign season.



## SCOTCH PLAINS POLICE BLOTTER

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

• A warrant was signed charging Basim Hobson, 18, of Plainfield with the armed robbery of the Westfield Avenue Quick Check on October 23.

The complaint was signed by Detective Dennis Murphy of the Scotch Plains Police Department, based on information that resulted from an investigation by the North Plainfield Police Department of a robbery of another convenience store in that town.

Hobson was being held in the Somerset County Jail on charges originating in North Plainfield, authorities said.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

• A Plainfield Avenue business reported the theft of approximately \$8,000 worth of scaffolding materials from an open rear yard. The incident occurred sometime during the weekend.

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

• An attendant at a Route No. 22 service station reported being robbed at knifepoint of an undetermined amount of cash by a lone suspect. The suspect then fled on foot in an unknown direction, according to the report.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

• A "bug shield" was reported stolen from a vehicle parked on Happel Court.

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

• A motorist reported that his vehicle was damaged on November 6 by objects which were thrown from a passing school bus on Lamberts Mill Road.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

• Fadil Novak, 51, of Matawan was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol pursuant to a motor vehicle stop on Route No. 22, West, according to police.



## FANWOOD POLICE BLOTTER

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

• Craig Gibson, 19, of Fanwood was charged with possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana, and Jack Todaro, 19, also of Fanwood, was charged with underage possession of an alcoholic beverage, both at the South Avenue railroad station, according to police. Each of the suspects was released on his own recognition.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

• A cellular telephone was reported stolen from a Terrill Road business.

• A resident of Oakwood Court reported finding holes the size of BB pellets in the storm door windows.

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9

• A Midway Avenueresident reported the theft of a 1992 Nissan which had

been parked in front of the house.

• A bicycle valued at \$270 was reported stolen from a garage on Martine Avenue.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

• Ernest Walker, Jr., 52, of East Orange was charged with driving while intoxicated on Martine Avenue, authorities said. He was released on his own recognition.

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15

• Two North Avenue residents reported their homes, located about two blocks apart, were burglarized. Entrance to one home was gained through the front door, while the other residence was entered through a side door. In each instance, cash and jewelry were taken, according to police.

## Information on Routes Indicates Poor Design

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LaGuardia and Kennedy — thereby eliminating flight delays for airlines.

After pressure from citizens groups, Congress mandated that the FAA conduct an Environmental Impact Study as required by the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990.

According to the Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board, the study cost \$6 million and took six years to complete.

As a result of the study, the FAA unveiled its so-called Solberg Mitigation Proposal whereby airplane routes were to spread apart to reduce noise over Union County. Under the plan, planes were to proceed about 6.5 miles south of Newark Airport before making a westerly turn toward the Solberg Navigational Aid in Hunterdon County.

That plan spread plane patterns over Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon, Morris, Warren and Sussex Counties to reduce air traffic noise, mostly in the western Union County area.

The Advisory Board has noted that prior to implementation of the 260-degree turn, aircraft flew a 220-degree course where they gained altitude over industrialized areas of the Arthur Kill waterway, following a path developed in the late 1980s by FAA noise abatement experts.

The 260-degree heading places air traffic closer to populated areas. The Advisory Board has indicated that the heading shortens flight paths by two miles from the 220-degree heading and produces aircraft flying 1,000 feet lower.

The 260-degree route, implemented earlier this year, essentially involved the rerouting of 25 percent of Newark Airport departures, or 100 daily flights.

Mr. Hardie noted that he has sent

the information to the offices of Congressman Bob Franks, who represents the Seventh District, and United States Senators Robert G. Torricelli and Frank Lautenberg. A spokeswoman for Mr. Franks said the Congressman and his staff needed more time to review the documents before making a public comment.

A representative of Senator Lautenberg said the information had not been received as of Monday afternoon.

Mr. Hardie has asked officials to initiate an investigation through the General Accounting Office.

He said the probe should include questions on the amount of funds and resources used by the FAA to develop the Environmental Impact Study of air traffic routes over the state and the FAA's attempts to implement the Solberg plan and route changes, including the 260-degree turn.

He also has demanded an explanation as to why the Solberg Plan has not been implemented as written, and why the FAA continued with the tests of the 250- and 260-degree routes "in spite of numerous incidents in which aviation safety was compromised."

The Coalition has also sought action to ensure that the 250- and 260-degree routes are "never re-implemented in any way, shape, or form."

"I think we have been more than patient with them (FAA)," said Mr. Hardie. "I think it is time our elected officials put some pressure on them."

The FAA has proposed a complete overhaul of the airspace over the metropolitan area as the long range solution to increased air traffic, as well as air noise on residential areas.



HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED...Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly led a special ceremony in remembrance of those veterans who served the United States. Joe McCourt and members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 10122 and American Legion Post No. 209 were also present for the occasion.

# County Freeholders Vote to Fund \$3 Million Upgrade In Infrastructure Around Linden Airport Property

By PAUL J. PEYTON  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

In an effort to lend the county's support to the \$157.5 million redevelopment project at Linden Airport, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders last Thursday introduced an ordinance to appropriate \$3,015,000 for road and other infrastructure improvements.

The City of Linden plans to reconfigure the 188-acre airport and sell a portion of the property for private development.

The ordinance, which is expected to be adopted following a public hearing on Thursday, December 10, is for infrastructure improvements along the southeast quadrant of the intersection of Route No. 1 and Stiles Street in Linden.

According to information released this past summer by the Union County Economic Development Corporation, 29 acres of land will be developed for recreational, distribution and warehouse facilities.

An additional 68 acres will be redeveloped for commercial use, including a 544,267-square-foot retail shopping complex, with national tenants such as Home Depot and Wal Mart.

A hotel with 150 guest rooms will also be built, with banquet and conference facilities for 750 people.

A 30-screen movie theater, gas station and restaurants are also included in the development plan.

As far as the airport is concerned, a new 9,600-square-foot terminal building will be constructed, along with two new 14,000-square-foot hanger buildings, an upgraded runway, taxiways and other airport facilities.

In terms of the county's role in the project, Freeholder Donald Goncalves told *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times* that when completed, the project will help generate more tax ratables for the county, thus helping to stabilize property taxes county-wide.

"The county policy has been to invest in infrastructure and invest in economic development," he said.

The Freeholder noted that additional improvements are needed along Route No. 1 and 9, which he said is an "outdated" highway for today's needs.

Union County Manager Michael Lapolla told *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times* that the county's contribution is similar to the \$6 million the county previously appropriated in connection with the Jersey Gardens Mall project on the Elizabeth water front.

In other business, the board also introduced an ordinance regarding a tax on garbage leaving the county, better known as an Environmental Investment Charge (EIC). The county originally was planning to collect the charge through the establishment of weigh stations.

However, the Freeholders' ordinance will instead rely upon actual tonnages included in daily records, which must be maintained by solid waste facilities according to state law.

"It makes it (collection of the EIC) a lot easier and a lot less complicated for municipalities," said Mr. Lapolla, referring to 14 of the county's 21 towns which signed long-term contracts with the Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA).

The county signed a 25-year lease with Ogden Martin Systems, Inc. of Union, the builder of the facility, earlier this year. The lease covers \$150 million of the \$293 million outstanding debt on the facility, which opened in 1994.

The EIC charge has been included in the \$50 per ton fee charged to towns which signed quarter-century contracts with the UCUA. The fee, around \$18 a ton, will be collected for trucks not dumping at the Rahway incinerator. That fee will help pay off the remaining portion of the incinerator debt.

On a side note, the county will not have to pay back an \$11.7 million loan from the state to build the incinerator following the passage of a referendum by voters on Election Day.

In total, the passage of the ballot question will forgive \$103 million in state loans which helped finance waste facilities. In addition to Union County, Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Essex, Gloucester, Union and Warren Counties all incurred debt either through building facilities or through architectural and related charges to build incinerators.

Another \$65 million in unspent state bond moneys and loan payments will be used to pay down even more debt for counties with incinerator debt.

Haulers servicing seven towns in the county, including Westfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood and Mountainside, are free to dump at any in- or out-of-state facilities, since these communities do not have contracts with the UCUA.

The board approved a resolution authorizing nearly \$20,000 in grants through the county's History Education Arts Reaching Thousands (HEART) program.

The Mountainside Chorale and Chamber Players, which perform at the Mountainside Community Presbyterian Church, and the Metro Rhythm Chorus of Fanwood, were among the grant recipients.

The Mountainside Chorale and Chamber Players intend to use the funds "to support a professional musical experience for Mountainside and surrounding communities."

The Metro Rhythm Chorus will use the funds "to help support non-profit barbershop style a cappella chorus."

At the conclusion of the meeting,

board members congratulated Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan and Freeholders Mary Ruotolo and Lewis Mingo on their Election Day victories.

Freeholder Vice Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari said "clearly the voters spoke" at the election polls. Freeholder Chester Holmes said the Democrats' victory margin of over 20,000 votes showed that the Freeholder board is doing a "wonderful job" for the citizens of the county.

Freeholder Ruotolo, a Westfield resident who was the top vote-getter among all the Freeholder candidates in this

year's race, noted that she was still "glowing" over her victory. She thanked her running mates, who she said had made running for public office "an extremely rewarding experience."

Freeholder Sullivan joined the board in early 1995 to replace Casimar Kowalezyk upon his retirement.

Mrs. Ruotolo and Mr. Mingo joined the board earlier this year to replace former Freeholders Carol Cohen and Walter McNeil, respectively, upon their resignations. Ms. Cohen was named County Counsel, while Mr. McNeil left to assume the position of City Administrator in Plainfield.



**AWARDED FOR DEDICATION...**The County Officers Association of New Jersey recently presented the Gill C. Job Award to Union County Surrogate Ann Conti of Mountainside for her years of service in advancing ideals, principals and philosophy of the County Officers Association. Pictured are Ms. Conti and Union County Freeholder Vice Chairman Nicholas Scutari of Linden.

## County Surrogate Ann Conti Earns Gill C. Job Award

The County Officers Association of New Jersey recently presented their Gill C. Job Award to Union County Surrogate Ann Conti of Mountainside for her years of service in advancing the ideals, principles and philosophy of the Association.

"Clearly garnering this award shows that Ms. Conti has been a dedicated employee since assuming the office of surrogate on January 1,

1983. The Freeholder Board joins the County Officers Association in recognizing her dedication," stated Union County Freeholder Vice Chairman Nicholas Scutari of Linden.

Freeholder Scutari noted that Ms. Conti has handled over 7,000 cases a year over the past 16 years.

"The Freeholder Board commends, congratulates and certainly appreciates her talent," he said.

### Government to Offer New Internet Service

A senior United States government official will activate a new government Internet service today, Thursday, November 19, at 10:30 a.m., which will enable men aged 18 to 25 to register with the Selective Service System. Gil Coronado, Director of Selective Service, has noted that with this on-line service, a man with a valid Social Security number will be able to connect to the Selective Service Web Site, link to the Agency's computers, type in his registration information, click on the "submit" button which appears on the screen, and be given his Selective Service number.

Registrants will then receive a formal acknowledgment postcard in the mail within two weeks.



**EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH...**The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and County Manager recently named Stephen A. Caruso, Chief of Security for Union County, as Employee-of-the-Month for October. He was recognized for his efforts to find a cure for diabetes. Mr. Caruso was also honored for his work in finding a cure during National Diabetes World Awareness Day on November 14. Pictured, left to right, are: Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan, Stephen Caruso and County Manager Michael Lapolla.

## Security Chief Credited For Diabetes Charity Work

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and County Manager named Stephen A. Caruso, Chief of Security for Union County, Employee of the Month for October because of his efforts to find a cure for diabetes.

In addition, the American Diabetes Association honored Mr. Caruso for his work to find a cure during National Diabetes World Awareness Day on November 14.

Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan thanked Mr. Caruso for coordinating this year's American Diabetes Association annual walk-a-thon, which raised \$54,000.

Freeholder Sullivan called diabetes a "terrible threat" to the health of 15.7 million Americans.

He stated, "We share Steve's commitment to find a cure for diabetes and praise his work to spread awareness that this disease afflicts and kills more Americans than any other 'high profile' disease. In Union County alone, 30,000 people have diabetes."

County Manager Michael Lapolla said that it is important to recognize the hard work done by a county employee that effects so many residents.

"Steve reached out to all 21 municipalities to participate in the Walk-a-Thon and the response was outstanding. He is already busy planning next year's walk. He deserves our praise and support for his continued efforts," Mr. Lapolla said.

Mr. Caruso, who is a diabetic, spoke to the New Jersey State legislature on October 22, to testify on Assembly Bill No. 1748, the Diabetes Support Bill. Also, he accepted the invitation to serve a two-year term on the Regional Community Assembly for the Eastern Re-

gion of the American Diabetes Association.

Mr. Caruso noted that over 400 volunteers participated in this year's walk, raising \$53,923 that will fund research grants for a cure.

"We wanted to use the event as an opportunity to bring attention to the symptoms because it is a silent killer that claims over 180,000 lives each year," Mr. Caruso said.

Diabetes is a group of diseases identified by high blood sugar levels resulting from the body's inability to produce or utilize insulin. There are two forms. Type one strikes during puberty, while type two afflicts 90 to 95 percent of sufferers after age 45.

The six warning signs for type one diabetes are: frequent urination, unusual thirst, extreme hunger, unusual weight loss, extreme fatigue and irritability. In addition to those symptoms, type two diabetics suffer with frequent infections, blurred vision, cuts/bruises that are slow to heal, tingling, numbness in the hands or feet and recurring skin, gum or bladder infections.

Often people with type two diabetes have no symptoms, of the 15.7 million Americans with the disease, 5.4 million do not know they have it.

"Diabetes is the country's sixth leading cause of death by disease. Most important, it has no cure and can lead to heart disease, stroke, kidney failure, blindness and amputations," Mr. Caruso said.

The second annual Diabetes Walk-a-thon will be held on September 26, 1999.

For more information on the event or about diabetes, please call (800) DIABETES.

## County Prosecutor Launches 'Drug Buyer Beware' Project

Police Chiefs from Union County have joined Prosecutor Thomas V. Manahan to launch a program to arrest purchasers who drive or walk up to street dealers to buy heroin, cocaine and marijuana and issue warnings to those found loitering in the neighborhoods that have been affected by drug activity.

"We've found in our continuous fight against the drug dealers that the

demand is continuing here almost unabated, because of the supply and prices being offered on the street," Mr. Manahan said at an afternoon press conference.

"We're sick of it. The good people in the neighborhood who want to use their streets, sidewalks and playgrounds are sick of it and it's going to stop," he stated.

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## Electro-Acoustic Violin Helps Didier Lockwood Make Vibrant Melodies

By MICHELLE H. LePOIDEVIN  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

An uncommon fusion of jazz and classical music captured a packed and mesmerized audience November 14 at the Westfield Symphony Orchestra's (WSO) "The Power of Music" concert, featuring French violinist Didier Lockwood, at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

Maestro David Wroe, Music Director and Conductor, welcomed the audience to the WSO's 123rd concert with a spirited and patriotic version of "The Star Spangled Banner," raising audience members from their seats.

"Overture to Die Fledermaus" by Johann Strauss 2nd, a composition with a fast, furious tempo and a playful rhythm, was the first piece presented by Mr. Wroe. The Orchestra's performance gave one the sense of a rushing swarm of bees, putting the audience in an ideal mood for Mr. Lockwood's performance.

Generous applause and anticipation greeted Mr. Lockwood as he took his place before the Orchestra and the audience. Dressed entirely in black, Mr. Lockwood bowed deeply to the crowd as he was presented by Mr. Wroe.

"I asked him (Mr. Lockwood) to move to the side because in rehearsal, I gave him a great whack with my baton," quipped Maestro Wroe as Mr. Lockwood took his place before the Orchestra.

"Concerto les Mouettes," a piece inspired by one of the greatest of muses — nature — was presented by Mr. Lockwood in three movements. The first movement was fast, the second was slow, and the third was fast again.

In the first movement, the audience was perched in suspense, listening to the Orchestra's introduction and awaiting the first note of Mr. Lockwood's electro-acoustic violin, which amplified over the orchestra.

With his eyes closed, Mr. Lockwood's intense and serious expression followed every note as he felt the power of the music.

This first movement encompassed horns, cellos and violins which cried out to the crowd that leaned forward throughout the performance.

Mr. Lockwood's violin pleaded with the crowd, instilling a sense of falling, of dire emergency, and suddenly, a Latin tempo which emerged midway. Playful, cartoon-like, and animated notes interrupted the urgent tones and brought smiles to members of the audience.

The slow movement provided the crowd with a new mood — solemn, gray, somber, romantic tones. The audience became entranced and sympathetic to the sobering sounds which

emanated from the violin.

Suddenly, as if soaring over the audience, the violin offered the sounds of a flock of screeching seagulls, approaching and then fading into the distance.

The third movement returned the crowd to a quicker, immediate pace with climactic, suspenseful notes that one would only find in a suspense thriller. This movement gripped the crowd with short, piercing notes from Mr. Lockwood's violin, with a conclusion that signaled the end of a murder mystery.

Mr. Lockwood's performance was received with multiple standing ovations and a hearty embrace by Maestro Wroe, who had conducted Mr. Lockwood's "Concerto les Mouettes" in Paris with L'Orchestra Lamoureux in 1997.

The crowd demanded an encore. As a special treat, Mr. Lockwood and the Orchestra accompanied Soprano Caroline Casadesus, Mr. Lockwood's wife, as she sang "La Psaume."

Ms. Casadesus, who began voice studies after obtaining a degree in history from the Sorbonne University in Paris, delivered an unforgettable performance, with an angelic voice that hovered over the grateful audience.

During Intermission, Mr. Lockwood told *The Westfield Leader* that he uses his electronic violin as a vehicle and not as a simple tool in his performances.

In mixed French and English, and assisted in translation by his wife, Ms. Casadesus, he explained that "Concerto les Mouettes" was inspired by his youth.

He revealed that he was raised in Calais, France near the North Sea and found the "bird sounds" to be of great inspiration to him. The piece is dedicated to his father.

Collaborating with the WSO, he stated, is a "big honor." He observed that the Orchestra is "absolutely wonderful and precise, rhythmical with great intonation, and easy to work with."

Mr. Lockwood told *The Leader* that he had canceled his Indian tour to perform with the WSO that evening.

Ms. Casadesus stated that her husband "jumped to the plane" to be a part of the Symphony's concert.

According to the Orchestra, Mr. Lockwood's electro-acoustic violin includes an amplifier, and allows filtration of the sound to affect the frequencies while providing an echo effect.

Mr. Lockwood, who played his unique instrument while leaning back in full tilt, manipulated his violin with the same uncontrollable passion of a rock musician with his bass

guitar.

"Symphony No. 9 in d minor, Op. 125" by Ludwig van Beethoven, was performed after Intermission.

The breathtaking performance included Soprano Diana M. Vidu, Mezzo Soprano Daria Dragan, Tenor Drew Alan Slattton, Bass Craig Hart and the Masterwork Chorus under the instruction of David Briskin, Music Director.

The WSO and Mr. Lockwood entertained the audience with unique melodies, culture and professionalism, allowing the crowd to depart satisfied and fulfilled, taking with them a piece of musical history in Westfield.



**VETERANS REMEMBERED...**Two classes of Jefferson Elementary School students, Westfield, gathered memorabilia to share with the entire school to commemorate Veteran's Day. Pictured, left to right, are: third grade teacher Wendy Masters and first grade teacher Rachel Bradley who displayed articles brought in by their students. Postcards, photos and clothing of friends and relatives who served in the armed forces were brought in by the children. The two classes cooperate in joint projects once a week and call themselves "Discovery Buddies."

## Senator DiFrancesco Issues Statement on Open Space

**Editor's Note:** The following is a statement issued by New Jersey Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco regarding the approval by voters of Public Question One concerning open space preservation:

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"Present and future generations of New Jersey residents won on Tuesday (November 3) when the New Jersey public voiced its support for a comprehensive plan for preserving open space in New Jersey through the approval of Public Question One.

"The public's overwhelming endorsement of the initiative will enable \$98 million in existing revenue to be dedicated toward saving farmlands, historical sites, recreational

## Mountainside BOE Receives Grant To Upgrade Industrial Arts Program

By KIMBERLY A. BROADWELL  
Specially Written for The Times

On Tuesday evening, The Mountainside Board of Education announced that a \$16,860 grant was given this week to the school district as part of the Access 2000 matching grant program given to schools in all 21 municipalities by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Randy Palmer, Deerfield School's full-time Computer Teacher/Coordinator, announced to audience members that the amount of money awarded was based on how many

students attend the school.

He stated that the grant money was awarded to "look at the present technology in the schools" and help them "to push ahead with their technology plan."

According to Mr. Palmer, this grant money will be used to update Deerfield School's industrial arts program by helping to provide advances in technology such as robotics and aerodynamics equipment.

Mr. Palmer also stated that the newly renovated program, operated by shop teacher, Tom Predale, will have its new equipment before the summer of 1999.

Mr. Palmer announced Deerfield's participation in the Union County Internet Consortium, which will help absorb the cost to all the municipalities that participate in the program to put the school districts on and provide high speed connection to the Internet.

According to Mr. Palmer, the county program will pay for each of the municipalities for the first two years, at an estimated cost of \$317,484. This cost includes equipment design, hardware, installation and maintenance costs.

Mr. Palmer also stated that the third year of the program costs, which would consist of maintenance costs and possible upgrades, would be the responsibility of the participating municipalities.

According to Mr. Palmer, this third year cost would be approximately \$180,189 and would be split by those school districts who are participating.

Mr. Palmer stated that there are presently about a dozen school districts participating in this program including Berkeley Heights and Springfield.

He also stated that "the current agreement made with Comcast to help provide present Internet services, which is very limited, expires this spring."

The last announcement made concerning technological advances at Deerfield included the \$5,000 grant from the New Jersey Education Association's Fredrick L. Hipp Foundation for Excellence in Education.

This grant was recently awarded for "Project Publish," a project for students in grades 5 through 8.

According to a recent release on the school's present Internet site, the project will allow students to interact with the community by providing publishing services to the school parents and local businesses.

The article also states that "the program will provide teachers with training and opportunities to create professional newsletters and other documents and will provide a computer station that can serve as a platform for teaching students desktop publishing applications."

This project was created by Mr. Palmer, Elaine Pass, Deerfield's Gifted and Talented program teacher, and Lynn Slotking, the school's art teacher.

In other business, a Special Education report presented by Vicki Jenkins, Deerfield's Supervisor of Special Services, was given which outlined the changes in the Federal Regulations for Special Education services made within the last year.

According to Ms. Jenkins changes in the Individual Disabilities Education Act have been made as currently as this month.

Ms. Jenkins told board and audience members about the state's increased focus of giving students in need of special services a chance to learn in "least restrictive environment" and the increased participation in implementing an individual education plan by the child's parents or guardian and the general education teacher.

Ms. Jenkins also outlined the increased responsibility that will be placed on the regular education teacher who will "be an advocate for all children in his/her class."

She talked about the state's shift in focus from a separate education program for students with disabilities to a more inclusive process. Mrs. Jenkins also pointed out that "not all children would benefit from a mainstreamed program and that is why each child has an individualized plan and is placed in the least restrictive environment for that child."

According to Ms. Jenkins, there will also be higher levels of standards and expectations for students with disabilities and increased participation of children with disabilities in state and district testing.

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"A funny thing happened on the way to the Holocaust..."

Sound startling? It's meant to. Italian film star Roberto Benigni's life-affirming comedy/drama is a confluence of mixed emotions, a heartbreaking essay in shocking contradictions. Yet, *Life Is Beautiful* (in Italian, film with English subtitles) is anything but disrespectful. This uplifting story of how an Italian waiter shields his son from the horrors of concentration camp internment is a breakthrough piece of motion picture artistry, a fable about a time in history that would deny folks their fairy tales.

Guido Orefice (portrayed by Mr. Benigni) is a scallawag of the finest feather. Upon his arrival in the Tuscan town of Arezzo to assume a waiter's job at the posh hotel where his uncle (Giustino Durano) is maitre d', he begins to work his comical conjurations.

Guido dashes about performing illusions and manipulations—a magician of the heart.

The first half of the film is a buoyant dance. Everything that is good about the world is outlined and celebrated through Guido's optimism.

In addition to providing a warmhearted tale about familial devotion, Benigni also fashions a beautiful love story. Undaunted by his commoner (and Jewish) status, Guido courts the beautiful Dora (Nicoletta Braschi, Benigni's real-life wife), a schoolteacher and town Brahmin.

Applying his romantic prestidigitation, he shows up Dora's fascist fiancé for his brutish insensitivity. Guido's role as knight in shining armor is humorously authenticated. In the second half of the film, the rules will change as Guido's comical skills face the challenge of a lifetime.

When Mr. Benigni's brainchild (he co-wrote with Vincenzo Cerami and directs) suddenly makes an about-face and jumps ahead several years, the directorial convenience is unsettling.

But without lobbing on another 20 minutes, the transition seems the only way to relate that Guido is now wed to Dora, operates a book store, and is the proud father of an adoring son, Giosue, played by Giorgio Cantarini.

This dark side of the movie begins when Guido and little Giosue are gathered up into railroad cars destined for the camps. Evocative of De Sica's *Bicycle Thief* (1949), it is now dad and son against the world.

Because she is Christian, Dora is spared, yet demands to follow. The Nazis accommodate her.

The filmmaker tiptoes through the most politically sensitive subject of the century, managing a haunting comic sense in his Holocaust story that has little dramatic precedent.

Alternately acerbic and humanistic, the comedy is always respectful. The protagonist is the epitome of pluck, a spin doctor extraordinaire who champions humor as mankind's ultimate tool of denial.

But you don't necessarily laugh as Guido protects his son from the horrors of internment. Rather, you stare in awe, as Guido continually convinces Giosue that nothing is as it appears.

It's all a game, father assures son. The German concentration camp guards are just feigning to be the bad guys. The

grand prize Giosue is promised for all this forbearance? Nothing less than a real tank.

Benigni's work points up the insanity of racial genocide, taking its own unique tack to make an impact as poignant as *Schindler's List*. He does it by making the concept of a Holocaust completely unthinkable, totally insulting to our sense of civilization.

In an instance of doubt, the little boy despairs—he overhears one man in the camp say that they are turning the Jews into buttons and soap.

"Buttons and soap?" Guido laughs, pointing to bunkmate Bartolomeo (Pietro De Silva) and chiding Giosue, "You mean we'll soon work up a good lather with Bartolomeo? How preposterous."

Giosue issues a tentative smile.

Verily. How preposterous.

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*Life Is Beautiful, directed by Roberto Benigni, is a Miramax Films release starring Nicoletta Braschi, Roberto Benigni, and Giorgio Cantarini. Running time: 122 minutes.*



## A Case of Déjà Vu? Why Voters Should Reject '98 School Bond

By Robert H. Flath

**Editor's Note:** The following column is the first in a four-part series regarding the referendum proposed by the Westfield Board of Education. Mr. Flath is a former member of the school board. In the coming weeks, this newspaper will be publishing commentaries both in favor and against the \$11.7 million proposed bond referendum which goes before voters on Tuesday, December 15.

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In 1994, then Superintendent, Dr. Mark C. Smith, and the Board of Education presented the town with an "all or none" \$7.6 million bond referendum. It included \$1.6 million for needed repairs and maintenance, and \$6 million for 22 new classrooms.

At the Superintendent's urging, a majority of the board rejected a proposal to separate the bond into the improvement and expansion pieces so that the town could vote for each component separately. In the end, a majority of the town voted against the bond.

A year later, the board voted to support the Superintendent's plan to build 12 new classrooms using the excessive (by board and state policy standards) unencumbered free balance or, in layman's terms, surplus operating budget.

Unlike a smaller bond, that would have required another campaign and public vote, this expansion was approved simply at the board table.

The board is once again presenting the town with an "all or none" bond referendum. This time it is for \$11.7 million. It includes \$6 million for needed repairs, maintenance and communications technology infrastructure, plus approximately \$5.5 million for additions and alterations, of which \$4.5 million is for new classrooms at Franklin and McKinley Elementary Schools.

In effect, we are being asked to fund the building of the remaining classrooms that the town rejected in 1994. To force the town to support this questionable building, the bond is being presented as a single "all or none" package again, a tactic that failed in 1994.

This would be acceptable, if one agreed with the Superintendent's projections of overcrowding in our schools. While the town has grown and the schools are more crowded than in 1994, there are three reasons for opposing the \$4.5 million for new elementary classrooms. This will be explained here in more detail over the next few weeks:

- 1) The new building portion of the bond proposes a permanent solution to a temporary problem.
- 2) The enrollment projections on which the bond is based contradict respected professional sources.
- 3) Based on the official class size policy, there will be little or no need for extra elementary classrooms.

Ideally, the Superintendent and board should go back to the drawing board and rethink the new classroom requirements at all schools. While expensive, many

taxpayers and parents might vote for the \$6 million improvement and \$0.8 million alteration portions of the bond, and against the \$4.5 million for questionable new classrooms — that is, if we were given the choice.

However, given the "all or none" packaging, the only way to communicate our preference to the board is to vote down the referendum and to send the Superintendent and board back to the drawing board to come up with alternative proposals.

The Board and the Superintendent will undoubtedly protest. They will say that this is the best they can do, and that they are acting as supported by the Citizens Advisory Committee. They will predict that dire consequences will occur in the event of a defeat at the polls. They will say that this can be prevented only if they are permitted to follow through with their ongoing management decisions.

The board is responsible to the state (not to the taxpayers and parents of Westfield) for seeing that the schools are well run. The Administration is responsible for running the schools. While the board and Administration will listen to public debate, in the end they will do what they think is correct, regardless of the strong sentiments expressed, pro and con, at public meetings.

The only way to force them to consider an alternate path is to reject the proposed solution at the polls. If the combined package is defeated at the polls, the board and Administration must and will find another solution.

Westfield should vote "no" in December, knowing full well that this is not a one-shot, do-or-die proposition.

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**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** Mr. Flath is a Principal with Computer Sciences Corporation Consulting Group. He has over 30 years of information technology experience.

In addition, he founded a direct mail software, publishing and services company and a chain of computer activity centers for children, and has served on the Technology Advisory Committee for the Westfield Board of Education and as a member of the board.

Mr. Flath specializes in the areas of technology enabled business innovation and strategy.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and Mathematics from City College, City University of New York (CUNY) in 1970. He also took graduate courses at New York University and at Baruch College, CUNY, and was in the Program for Management Development at Harvard Business School.

He additionally taught in the master's program at the New School, New York City.

Professionally, Mr. Flath is the Founding Director and officer of the Human Resources Planning Society. He has authored and co-authored six books on personal computing topics.

## Demographics Can Play a Big Part Of Property Taxes in Our Towns

It may come as a surprise to some of you reading this newspaper that you're considered to be wealthy. The I.R.S. thinks so. So does the State of New Jersey, the banks, the cable television company and marketers of goods.

In a region circumscribed by Westfield to Summit to New Providence and closing at Scotch Plains, there are about 106,000 people with a medium household income of approximately \$80,000. In the Westfield area alone, people have about \$7 billion in personal deposits and investments, according to The Town Bank of Westfield marketing research.

The region comprises about 20 percent of the county's population. By comparison, Elizabeth alone accounts for the same percentage of the population, with a medium household income of about \$32,000.

Indeed, the region is rich in many ways: lovely towns, nice homes, friendly and happy people, many societies and clubs, strong charity organizations, many churches and good school systems. Other people agree. Young professional couples searching to locate in the New York City metropolitan area conduct town searches on the Internet, in newspapers and in magazines.

Invariably, our towns come up as the top choice to live in and to raise a family. And so we have a vibrant society. Home values are rising. We have energetic and educated neighbors. More than half of us vote. Though this may seem low, this is high compared to the national average of about 35 percent in the latest election.

As government grows, funding is obtained through taxes from those most able to pay — and this is you. Locally, you see this in your property taxes. In the region, your property taxes are consumed as follows: about one-sixth by the county, approximately one-sixth by local government, and about two-thirds by the school system. So, your property taxes are influenced mostly by the public school system costs.

Further complicating the analysis, capital items (community bond referendums) for roads, parking garages, schools and parks are added to the property

tax bill. Also, in the short term, politicians and school administrators can make your property tax bill appear a little lower by spending surplus funds or selling assets to pay for operating expenses.

Several factors that will affect our region are brewing. There's a storm at the state level on school funding, Supreme Court rulings and alternate school choices. This is critical since State Education Commissioner Leo Klagholz is in charge of all local school systems in New Jersey. The state is the legal entity of the school systems, not the communities. Local school boards and administrations are caretakers and implementers who must follow the state decrees.

The state stipulates the maximum amount of money that a community can spend per pupil (referred to as the "cap"). If that amount is exceeded, state funding support is withdrawn correspondingly. Not surprisingly, most communities spend the maximum before jeopardizing state school financial support.

For our region, state funds are quickly becoming a smaller factor, as it is allocated inversely to the rated wealth of the region. As example, Westfield and Summit High Schools or Districts receive about 5 percent of their operating budget from the state. In comparison, Elizabeth High School receives 74 percent of its operating budget from the state. On average, throughout the state, state aid to school operating budgets is 39 percent.

You need to understand and be involved in your community's decisions so that matters work out to the best of your wishes. And all is not obvious. For example, 60 percent of our residents do not have children in school. Many are retired and on fixed incomes. If they decide to sell their homes at this market peak and leave, everyone else left must pay the bills. And if our demographics shift to, say, 60 percent of the residences having children in school, then property taxes will double.

We will keep you informed of the issues, key data, players, opinions of our leaders and alternate views. Your opinions and knowledge are sought to add to the wisdom pool for keeping our towns rich, if not wealthy.

## Letters to the Editor

### SPFEA Offers Tips to Strengthen Kids' Reading and Study Skills

Members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association (SPFEA) — Scotch Plains and Fanwood's teachers, aides and secretaries — know how much parents want their children to enjoy reading, and how much they want them to succeed in school.

Parents know that good reading skills help their children succeed in school, and the love of reading is the greatest education gift we can give our children. To help families instill a love of reading in their children, the SPFEA offers these tips:

- Link reading to children's current interests — comic books, fashion magazines, even retail catalogues and the Guinness Book of World Records.
- Keep a selection of library books linked to children's interests at home and let them browse.
- Stack appealing reading materials wherever your children sit.
- Let your children see you reading every day. Don't put off reading until after the children are in bed.
- Discuss articles you've read in magazines and newspapers with your children.
- Be flexible and tolerant. Don't insist that children finish a book. Let them read while the television or radio is on.
- Give books and magazine subscriptions as gifts. Treat them to movies and plays based on books they've read. Ask them to compare.
- Share the reading experience from infancy to middle school; read to your children every day or have your child read aloud to you. Act out scenes.
- Ask questions such as, "What do you think will happen next?" or "Why did the character do that?"
- Be optimistic and patient. Every child can learn to love reading — eventually.

Homework extends the learning experience beyond the classroom and reinforces learning by giving children a chance to practice without the pressure of time. It also teaches a child to organize time, work independently, use good study skills and develop self-discipline. In addition, it gives the child with learning challenges extra time to improve.

The SPFEA has offered families these tips to help children benefit from homework assignments:

- Create a quiet place to study with lots of light and school supplies.
- Set a scheduled time every day for homework.
- Show your support by staying nearby.
- Urge your children to pair up with a homework "buddy," someone they can

call.

- Encourage your children to take short breaks while doing homework.
- Discuss any problems with your children's teacher.
- Talk with your children about some of their homework assignments.
- Support your children's efforts, but do not protect them from the consequences if their homework doesn't get finished.
- Discuss homework as a way to develop self-discipline and good study habits.
- Surprise your children with a reward when they've been studying hard.

The SPFEA wants every child to develop strong study skills, and we believe that parents are our true partners in education.

**Barbara McGuane**  
 SPFEA President

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### Wilfred Coronato Expresses Gratitude For His Recent Election Experience

On Tuesday, November 3, I lost my first bid for elected office in Fanwood. Despite the loss, I am extremely grateful for the experience. I had the opportunity to meet hundreds of people and have developed many new friendships as a result.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my runningmate David Trumpp, who helped show me the ropes of campaigning. David is a very good person, who cares about the borough and I am sure he will continue to contribute to its progress.

Thanks are also owed to our campaign manager, Karen Paardecamp, for the countless hours she spent on the details and for her insight. The members of our campaign committee who volunteered their time and effort in helping us are to be credited for their efforts as well.

I would also like to thank the residents who supported us by giving us words of encouragement throughout the campaign and who voted for us on Election Day.

Last, and certainly not least, I owe a big thank you to my wife, Darlene, and my two children who were very understanding of the many weekends lost to campaigning and the hours spent during the week planning the campaign.

To Karen Schurtz and Kathy Mitchell, I congratulate you on your victory. I wish you the best during your terms as mem-

### Citizens Opposed to Nighttime Lights At Stadium Need Some Perspective

The "angry residents" who confronted the Board of Education over one night football game need to look at the situation in a different way.

The stadium was packed with high school kids, parents, even Westfield residents who played football for WHS in the past, and others all rooting for their hometown football team.

We in Westfield are lucky to have such terrific school and community spirit. After all, this is the reason many people move to Westfield.

I am distressed that these "angry residents," who purchased their homes knowing full well that the high school athletic field was in close proximity, have the

nerve to complain about cheering for the home team and temporary lighting.

In today's world of drugs, perversion and general misconduct, the residents of Westfield should be thrilled that their kids would rather be at a high school football game.

The fact that it was at night made it even better, since it gave the kids an alternative to hanging on the streets with nowhere to go or drinking at someone's house whose parents were not home.

Let's put things in perspective and be supportive of events that foster school and community spirit.

**Barbara Lang**  
 Westfield

### Noreen Lund Thanks Election Team; Offers Congratulations to Winners

Congratulations to the winners! On November 3 the voters of Westfield made their choices known for Mayor and Westfield Town Council. I trust these elected officials will work as team play-

ers with only one goal at hand — to do what is best for Westfield!

I further urge them to remember Westfield's character and integrity and to re-obtain it as a premier community for future generations.

While I was not the winner in the Third Ward Council race, I do consider myself one. So many wonderful people were behind me. Those new to me and those who knew me from being a life-long Westfielder. It was truly a positive and fun-learning experience.

Thank you to my husband, Al, and our children, Erik, Anthony and Alyssa, who were a little short changed during the campaign! My election team — Laura Ciarrocca, Manager; Bettylou Yevich, Treasurer; and Mark Boyd, Press/Publicity; you are all super! I could not have done it without any of you.

Thank you to all my Third Ward neighbors who opened their doors to me, and those who read my literature and press releases to know my issues. It was wonderful chatting and exchanging ideas. If it wasn't for your support, I would not have had the respectable showing I achieved, nor begun to build a record.

The heartfelt thank-you I wish to convey are beyond words. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to be a choice to represent the Third Ward.

For those who are disappointed with the outcome, now is the time to get involved. Join an organization, Westfield is only as good as we allow it to be.

Again, thanks to all for their support and encouragement. You are truly special. I will cherish this opportunity forever.

**Noreen Lund**  
 Westfield

### School Bond Asks Too Much of Senior Citizens

Faye DeGoff writes in the November 12 issue of *The Leader* supporting the referendum to be brought before Westfield voters by the Board of Education on December 15.

Since Ms. DeGoff identifies herself as a member of Westfield's retired community, I think it fair to point out that not all the town's retirees find themselves in Ms DeGoff's apparently comfortable financial position.

I personally know of seniors living within a short radius of my own home, life-long residents of the town, who live without heat and who subsist on cat food.

Multiply these deprivations many times for the town as a whole and ask yourself whether the Board of Education has the best interests of the entire community at heart.

**Dr. Ferdinand Gajewski**  
 Westfield

## Electric Utility Restructuring Must Be Completed Fairly

By FRED D. HAFER

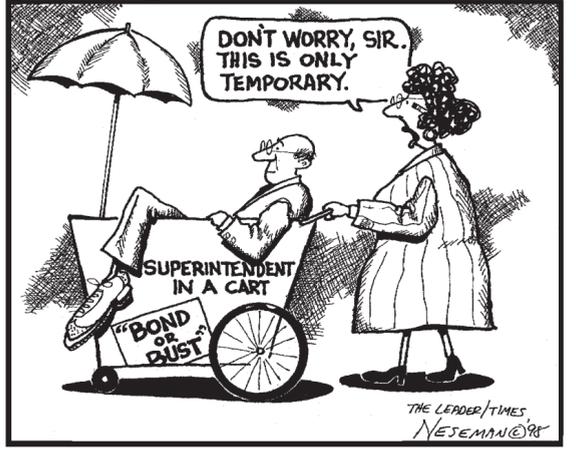
After years of careful planning and much debate, restructuring of the electric utility industry is rapidly taking shape both in individual states and in the United States Congress.

This restructuring, some say reinvention, is intended to bring about competition and cost savings for consumers. It is not intended to hurt utilities and their shareholders. Regulators, utilities and consumers are taking great pains to ensure the process goes smoothly.

Each continues to have its say to ensure fair and reasonable treatment as restructuring efforts proceed.

Much of the public debate, as represented in newspaper editorials or columns and comments by consumer advocacy groups, is anything but fair and reasonable, particularly as it relates to stranded costs.

The issue of stranded costs has been raised in virtually every discussion about



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## Scotch Plains Towne Centre Slates Holiday Celebration

The Scotch Plains Business & Professional Association (SPBPA) and the Parks and Recreation Commission has organized its 4th Annual "Old Fashioned Holiday Celebration" to be held on Sunday, December 6, from noon to 5 p.m.

There will be live entertainment, hay rides, a petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, a bake sale, sidewalk promotions, the annual tree lighting, and the arrival of Santa Claus.

The historic Osborn Cannonball House will hold an Open House where they will be serving food and refreshments.

Live entertainment with performances by local area choral groups will be held on the Village Green throughout the afternoon. Horse drawn hay wagon rides will go around town from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Hay ride tickets are \$2 and children under 2 ride free.

There will be a merchant holiday walk contest with no purchase necessary and a chance to win a free lunch/dinner, gift certificates and other prizes donated by local businesses.

The Scotch Plains Volunteer Fire Department will have a fire engine on display for the kids to visit and

will ride Santa into town. The annual tree lighting will take place at 5 p.m. followed by the arrival of Santa. Children from toddler through age 7 can visit with Santa at the gazebo and will get a treat. Parents are welcome to take photos.

The following businesses will help sponsor the day's events: EKA Associates, Hung's Shanghai Restaurant, Eastern Marble & Granite Supply, Sovereign Bank, Fagioli Ristorante, Investors Savings Bank, American Express Travel Services and First Union Bank.

For more information, please call the Recreation Department at (908) 322-6700, Extension No. 220/221 or call SPBPA Chairperson Gerry Vadas, of CJS Violations Services, at (908) 322-4674.

### Garden Club to Create Wreaths Tomorrow

WESTFIELD — The Garden Club of Westfield will meet tomorrow, Friday, November 20, in the Community Room, 425 East Broad Street in Westfield, at 9:30 a.m. for a workshop to make Christmas wreaths for the Municipal Building.

## Westfield Library Friends Plan Anniversary Party

WESTFIELD — The Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library will celebrate the library's 10th anniversary with a gala party on Saturday, December 12, from 7 to 11 p.m. at the library. All are invited to attend the celebration, according to Party Chairwoman Eva Wiley.

The upstairs and downstairs areas of the library will be decorated with flowers and balloons. Food, wine and soft drinks will be provided by Westfield merchants, and birthday cakes will be donated by local bakeries.

The William Ray Orchestra will play a medley of popular music during the event. Reservation forms, at \$35 per person, may be picked up at the library, located at 550 East Broad Street in Westfield.

For more information on the library celebration, please call (908) 789-4090.

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## Future Activities Announced For Mountainside Newcomers

MOUNTAINSIDE — The Mountainside Newcomers Club has announced its upcoming activities for this month and December.

This Monday, November 23, the club will host "Mommy and Me," a preschool activity at Zany Brains in Springfield, at 10:30 a.m. for preschoolers ages 3 to 5, accompanied by an adult. Participants will make handprint turkeys.

On Thursday, December 3, the club will sponsor its Holiday Banquet Fundraiser at Snuffy's Pantagis Renaissance in Scotch Plains, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The event will feature cash and prizes for raffle and auction, as well as vendor tables for the purchase of holiday gifts.

On Saturday, December 5, the club will host "Mommy & Me — All Aboard!" Families will meet at 9:15 a.m. in front of the Westfield Train Station to board the 9:45 a.m. Santa Train Ride. Tickets are on sale at Brunner's Opticians in Westfield.

On Thursday, December 17, the club will sponsor "Ladies Night Out," a holiday gathering to be held at a member's home.

On Sunday, December 20, the club will present "Santa's House to House Visits." Santa will visit houses of Newcomer children from 4:30 p.m. throughout the early evening.

The Mountainside Newcomers Club is a social and charitable organization designed to help newcomers make friends and become a part of the community.

Membership is open to new resi-

dents of Mountainside or established residents who have experienced a change in lifestyle, such as the birth of a child, or a change in employment or marital status.

For information on membership or the club's upcoming events, please call Martha Perasso at (908) 654-7789.

### Santa Claus to Appear At Tree Lighting Event

On Sunday, November 29

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce has announced that Santa Claus will appear at the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Sunday, November 29, at 5 p.m. at the North Avenue Train Station.

The Westfield Community Band will entertain the audience with holiday songs at the event.

Mayor Thomas C. Jardim will welcome the attendees and officially light the Christmas tree to mark the beginning of the holiday season.

Santa will arrive on board a Westfield fire truck, greet children and distribute candy canes courtesy of UNICO, an Italian fraternal organization. The public is invited to attend.

The event will be sponsored by the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and UNICO, with the cooperation of the Westfield Public Works, Fire and Police departments, along with the Downtown Westfield Corporation.

## Council Members-Elect Seek To Fill Committee Vacancies

SCOTCH PLAINS — Scotch Plains Council members-elect Franklin Donatelli, Tarquin Jay Bromley and Geri M. Samuel have announced that they are looking for citizens of Scotch Plains to fill several vacancies on township committees.

"We are looking for people who are interested in different committees working within the township. Some of these are cultural arts, Scotch Plains Day, technology advisory and senior citizens advisor," Mr. Donatelli stated.

"There are also appointments available to the Board of Adjustment, the Health Advisory Board and the Union County Transportation Advisory Committee," stated Mr. Bromley.

"People who are interested," stated Mrs. Samuel, "should send a letter and a resume or list of qualifications to my home at 1271 Cooper Road in Scotch Plains. People should also be aware that these positions are strictly volunteer."

Mrs. Samuel added that the council members-elect would meet to review all letters from interested parties.

To fill one of these volunteer vacancies, please send a letter to Mrs. Samuel's home with a list of qualifications within the next two weeks in order to be considered for an appointment on Friday, January 1.

"We will not be able to use every person who applies, but vacancies become available every year," stated the council members-elect. "We will be keeping the names and qualifications of people who are interested in serving the township. We hope our citizens will take an interest in the township committees and look forward to working with them during the coming years."

"We will continue to work with the sitting council members and the township officials to provide a smooth transition for the new administration taking office on January 1," Mrs. Samuel commented.

## Fireman's Association Earns Community Service Award

WESTFIELD — Westfield's Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association (F.M.B.A.) Local No. 30 of the Westfield Fire Department received the 1998 Community Service Award recently at the St. Barnabas Burn Foundation's Valor Awards dinner.

The award was presented to the

F.M.B.A. for its continued support of the Aluminum Cans for Burned Children (A.C.B.C.) program, with donations exceeding \$27,000 since the program was introduced in Westfield in 1990.

St. Barnabas Medical Center operates New Jersey's only certified burn facility. Approximately 300 patients are treated annually in the center's 12-bed intensive care unit.

Aluminum beverage cans will continue to be collected in the rear lot of the Fire Headquarters on North Avenue.

### Westfield Lions Club To Sponsor Collection

For Hurricane Victims

WESTFIELD -- The Westfield Lions Club and the Lions clubs of District 16E will collect items to aid the victims of Hurricane Mitch on Saturday, November 21, at the Westfield Lions Toy, Train and Doll Show at the Scotch Hills Country Club on Jerusalem Road in Scotch Plains from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Donations of canned food, baby food, cereals, bottled water, first aid kits and summer clothing that is clean and in good condition will be accepted. A container will be available for any monetary donations.

## Electric Utility Restructuring Must Be Completed Fairly

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the restructuring of the electric utility industry. Before making final judgments, it is imperative to understand the meaning of stranded costs.

Stranded costs represent the yet-to-be-recovered portion of investments made over time by utilities. These investments assured that customers were served with readily available and reliable electricity.

Investments that are now at risk of becoming stranded were all initially incurred with the full consent of the public via their regulators after careful reviews.

Every power plant, transmission line or other major expenditure was approved, and in some cases ordered, by a regulator. In the case of non-utility generation costs, law — state, Federal or both — forced utilities to sign contracts for what is now uneconomic electricity. Thus, it is hard to understand how some could suggest that electric utilities went on indiscriminate, uncontrolled building or spending sprees.

Regulators assured recovery of these investments through utility rates. The investments have become stranded only because the competition resulting from restructuring does not assure recovery.

As noted above, these power plants and transmission and distribution projects were all judged to be for the public good and, to reiterate, approved or ordered by the public's representatives.

To now suggest that those costs were the result of bad decisions by the electric utility and, therefore, should be borne by its shareholders, or to suggest that share-

holders should bear the responsibility because the system is changing from regulation to competition, is illogical and punitive.

With the laws that regulate the electric utility industry changing, what should never be forgotten is the substantial responsibility electric utilities have had and will continue to have to provide a life-sustaining service.

Were it not for proper investments made in timely fashion to anticipate customer needs, we would not have been able to meet that obligation.

It also is important to note that recovery of stranded costs does not represent a new charge for consumers. These costs are currently included in rates. Allowing them to remain in rates until the investments are fully recovered will not cause consumers to lose the benefits of electric competition, as the critics suggest.

Most executives who head electric utilities fully believe in the benefits that restructuring and the accompanying competition will bring to electric utility consumers.

We need to make certain that restructuring takes place in a manner that is fair and reasonable to all parties, while assuring that reliable and safe electricity is there for all of us.

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Fred D. Hafer is Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of GPU, Inc. This article is being published as a guest column.

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Miss Melissa Winberry and Mathew Gleeson

## Miss Melissa Winberry To Wed Mathew Gleeson

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Winberry of Westfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Melissa Ann Winberry of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, to Mathew Thomas Gleeson, also of Chagrin Falls. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Gleeson of Solon, Ohio.

A 1992 graduate of Westfield High School, the bride-elect was awarded a bachelor's degree from John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1996. She is employed as a

college recruiter with Progressive Insurance in Cleveland.

Her fiancé graduated from Solon High School in Solon, Ohio, and received his bachelor's degree in 1991 from Kent State University in Kent, Ohio. He is employed as a systems manager for CBC Companies in Cleveland.

A wedding is planned for September of next year in Cleveland.

## Gunning Family Welcomes Megan Julia

Mr. and Mrs. Terence Gunning of Roselle Park have announced the birth of their daughter, Megan Julia Gunning, on Saturday, October 24, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Megan weighed 8 pounds and 4 ounces and measured 20½ inches in length at birth.

The mother is the former Ms. Karen Dietz.

Megan's maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Dietz of Westfield.

Her paternal grandparents are Mrs. Elizabeth Gunning of Brielle, formerly of Westfield, and the late James F. Gunning.

## Old Guard to Attend Radio City Music Hall In New York City

WESTFIELD — The Old Guard of Westfield has scheduled a trip to Radio City Music Hall's annual Christmas show in New York City on Wednesday, December 2.

The bus will leave promptly at 9 a.m. from the west end of Lord & Taylor's parking lot on North Avenue in Westfield, and will return at 4:30 p.m.

The next major Old Guard event is the group's Christmas Luncheon, which will include entertainment, on Friday, December 11, at The Westwood in Garwood.

For more information, please call Don Finter at (908) 233-1407.

## Welcome Wagon Donates \$1,200 For Local Hospice

WESTFIELD — Dawn Dursee and Liz Winfrey, Co-Chairwomen of the Fundraising Committee for the Welcome Wagon of Westfield, recently made a contribution of \$1,200 to Peggy Coloney, President of The Center for Hope Hospice in Linden.

The donated funds were raised through internal club activities and public events.

The Center for Hope Hospice, a free-standing, non-profit organization, was founded in the late 1970s by Ms. Coloney and the late Reverend Charles Hudson.

The center's mission is to provide physical, emotional and spiritual support to terminally ill individuals and

their families, regardless of their ability to pay.

For more information on The Center for Hope Hospice, please call (908) 486-0700.

The Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield is a non-profit organization that was established to help new members of the community get acquainted with the town.

It also serves as a social club for women and their families who are either new to the area or have recently experienced a lifestyle change, such as marriage or a new baby. For more information, please call Rachel Binkowitz at (908) 789-7373 or Cyndi Salemy at (908) 317-8076.



A WELCOME DONATION...Members of the Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield's Fundraising Committee recently donated \$1,200 to The Center for Hope Hospice. Pictured, left to right, are: Co-Chairwomen of the committee, Dawn Dursee and Liz Winfrey, along with Margaret Coloney, President and co-founder of The Center for Hope Hospice.

## Old Guard Announces List Of 1999 Proposed Officers

WESTFIELD — The Inter-Chapter Council of the Westfield Old Guard, which oversees the 22 regional New Jersey chapters, has announced the proposed governing officers for 1999.

The proposed roster is as follows: President, Dr. William Thornton of the Westfield chapter; First Vice President, Ralph Walsh of the Oceanport chapter; Second Vice President, Don Finter of the Westfield chapter; Secretary, Jack McHugh of the Westfield chapter; Assistant Secretary, Everett Yacker of the Westfield chapter, and Treasurer, John Macaluso of the Long Branch chapter.

Others on the proposed roster include Parliamentarian, Al Hirsch of the Warren chapter; Chaplain, Frank Upton of the Point Pleasant Beach chapter; Sports Chairman (North), Bill DeBaum of the Millburn chapter, and Sports Chairman (South), Ben Mayerowitz of the Asbury Park chapter.

Outgoing President Jack Beverley has scheduled an officers' luncheon meeting at the Lincroft Inn in November to officially vote in the proposed roster of officers.

The Westfield Old Guard chapter, representative of the others throughout New Jersey, provides activities, special programs and fellowship for retired and semi-retired men.

There are also regular group activities such as golf, bowling, bridge, day trips, luncheons, a chorus group which performs regularly at charity functions, public gatherings and formal concerts, and shuffleboard.

The Old Guard of Westfield, organized in 1933, meets every Thursday at 10 a.m. at the Westfield "Y," located at 220 Clark Street in Westfield.

For more information about the Westfield Old Guard, as well as other state chapters, please call Mr. Finter at (908) 233-1407.



MERRY CRAFTERS...Members of the Rake and Hoe Garden Club of Westfield recently gathered to work on holiday crafts which will be sold at "The Holiday Inspirations Boutique." The boutique will be a feature of the club's holiday home tour, "Deck the Halls" on Saturday, December 5. Pictured, left to right, are: Colleen Schmidt, President; Frances Hickman, Rosemary Atwell, Karen Tate and Anna Lanam. Tickets for the tour are available in Westfield at Rorden Realty, Lancaster Ltd., Periwinkle's and Clyne & Murphy.

## Pamela McClure Recognized For Charity By State Dept.

WESTFIELD - Attorney General Peter Verniero recently recognized Pamela McClure of Westfield as one of more than 50 Department of Law and Public Safety employees awarded for acts of valor, as well as through government and community service.

Ms. McClure, who was recognized for her volunteerism, was acknowledged for her work in charities including a local hospice and caring for the terminally ill.

Awards were presented during a ceremony at the Hughes Justice Complex, in Trenton.

"The employees we are recognizing have made unique contributions to both the Department of Law and Public Safety, as well as to all the citizens of this state," Mr. Verniero said. "I applaud these individuals for their commitment and dedication in helping all New Jerseyans."

Specifically, awards are presented

in the following categories:

- Awards of Valor: presented to employees who, through strength of character and spirit, have encountered danger with courage, dedication and self sacrifice.
- Special Commendations of the Attorney General: presented to employees whose performance of duty or service to the public merits special recognition or praise.
- Certificates of Appreciation for Exceptional Service: awarded to employees in recognition of outstanding services provided to the Department of Law and Public Safety.
- Certificates of Appreciation for Distinguished Services: presented to employees who have worked more than 25 years in state government.
- Certificates of Appreciation for Community Service: awarded to employees who volunteer their time to help others.



VALUED VOLUNTEERISM...Pamela McClure of Westfield was recently awarded for her volunteerism along with 50 other recognized employees of the Department of Law and Public Safety. Pictured, left to right, are: Division of Consumer Affairs Director Mark Herr; Pamela McClure and Attorney General Peter Verniero.

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**YOUNG LEADERS...**Five senior students from Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains recently attended the 15th Annual Student Leadership Day held at Union County College in Cranford. The event, held for outstanding students in the Seventh District, was sponsored by Congressman Bob Franks. Pictured, left to right, are: Lisa Dolansky, Brenda Kaus, Christopher Sandiford, Tiernan Applegate, and Sherry Varghese.

## Union Catholic HS Students Attend Leadership Day

SCOTCH PLAINS - Five seniors from Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains were among 136 students from 31 schools who recently attended the 15th annual Student Leadership Day for outstanding students in the Seventh Congressional District.

Union Catholic students who participated in the event, which was held at Union County College, included Christopher Sandiford of Fanwood, Tiernan Applegate of Elizabeth, Lisa Dolansky of Rahway, Brenda Kaus of Linden, and Sherry Varghese of Union.

Begun by Congressman Bob Franks in 1983, the program was established to provide students with the opportunity to exchange ideas with government leaders and to introduce them to career opportunities.

Thirty-one schools sent 136 students to listen to speakers such as Dr. Thomas Brown, president of Union County College; Stuart Rabner, Executive Assistant United States Attorney, District of New Jersey and Special Agent Gary Charles Adler, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Other speakers included Technical Sergeant Bruce A. Rivera, Instructor of Professional Military Education at the McGuire Non-commissioned Officer Academy at McGuire Airforce Base; Special Agent Kristin Becci of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and Ramu Damodaran, Editor-in-Chief, United Nations Chronicle, Department of Public Relations at the United Nations in New York. The Seventh Congressional Dis-

trict, which Mr. Franks represents, includes 34 municipalities in four New Jersey counties. In Union County, the district encompasses all or parts of 17 towns, among them Westfield, Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Mountainside.

### Chansonettes Prepare Holiday Season Tour

WESTFIELD — The Chansonettes of Westfield will begin their tour for the upcoming holiday season, entitled "The Most Wonderful Time of the Year," on Wednesday, December 2, at Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights.

The tour will continue on Monday, December 7, at Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Mountainside; Thursday, December 10, at Sunrise Assisted Living in Westfield; Tuesday, December 15, at The Chelsea in Fanwood, and Thursday, December 17, at the Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church in Union.

Among the selections to be performed during the group's holiday tour appearances are "Sing Gloria," "All Through the Night," "Hanukkah Traditions," and "Slow Dancing in the Snow."

The Chansonettes, a women's singing group, rehearse on Wednesdays beginning at 8 p.m. at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield on Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

To join the group or to book a date for the spring concerts, please call Jean Schork, Director, at (908) 232-5776 or Nancy Lau, Acting President, at (908) 654-5130.

## Atlas Pythagoras Lodge Gives Funds to Charities

WESTFIELD — Atlas Pythagoras Lodge No. 10 Free and Accepted Masons held its annual Charity Night in Westfield on October 16, during which donations were presented to multiple community organizations to assist them in continuing their respective charitable endeavors.

Checks were distributed by the Lodge to representatives of 16 groups. Among the recipients were the Union County Sheriff's Office Breadbasket Program, Rahway Hospital Foundation, Contact We Care, Keystone Community Residence, Mobile Meals of Westfield and the Masonic Service

Association of North America.

Other beneficiaries included the rescue squads of Scotch Plains, Westfield, Fanwood and Garwood, along with Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Donations were also given for the 13th District Scholarship Program, Children's Learning Centers, the Inter American Conductive Education Association, the Occupational Center of Union County, and the Prevent Child Abuse program.

Following the distribution of the checks, all of the recipients gave a brief synopsis of the type of work that their organization performs.



**VETS VISIT HIGH SCHOOL...**Social Studies students at Westfield High School were recently visited by Vietnam veterans Joe McCort and John Ferry in commemoration of Veteran's Day. They shared their experiences and also brought slides and memorabilia depicting their duty in Vietnam. Pictured, left to right, are: standing, Mr. McCort and John Ferry; and seated, Nefthi Sandeep and Tamika Waye who were shown an authentic helmet from the war. Mr. McCort and Mr. Ferry are members of the Union County Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America.

### WHS College Night Slated This Evening

WESTFIELD — Westfield High School will host representatives of more than 200 colleges and universities at its annual College Night tonight, Thursday, November 19, at 7:30 p.m.

Students and their parents will have the opportunity to gather information about colleges and universities nationwide.

College representatives will provide literature and answer questions about their schools, and some will give slide and video presentations. The high school's College and Career Resource Center will also be open tonight for parents and students to visit.

College Night was begun more than 30 years ago by the College Woman's Club of Westfield and is now hosted by the high school's Guidance Department.



**TEAMING UP FOR THE NEEDY...**Girl Scout Troop Nos. 237 and 574 joined together with The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield to prepare for The American Girls Collection Fashion Show by preparing goody-bags filled with cookies for the show. Proceeds from the fundraiser will go to the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless.

## Area Girl Scout Troops Aid Junior League Fundraiser

Girl Scout Troop Nos. 237 and 574 from Plainfield joined the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield (JLEP) to prepare for the American Girls Collection Fashion Show scheduled for Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21, at L'Affaire on Route 22 in Mountainside.

The girls gathered on November 13 at the JLEP Headquarters where they bagged cookies and put together goody-bags to be distributed at the fashion shows.

All proceeds will go to the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless which provides transitional housing in Elizabeth for homeless families. The Coalition also offers tutoring, recreation and support services to children in need.

The fashion show will provide a look at American fashion today and in the past. The fashions are contemporary as well as those of the historical doll characters like Felicity from Colonial America and Addy from the Civil War.

The shows will feature a tricky-tray auction, goody bags, a book store, souvenir stand, and door prizes.

Tickets are still available, at \$24 each, for the following two shows: November 20 at 7 p.m. and November 21 show at 10 a.m. To purchase a

ticket, please call (908) 709-1177. Tickets can also be purchased at the door on a first come, first serve at the door.

### Annual Toy Drive Set By DECA Chapter

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School DECA Chapter, an association of marketing students, will sponsor its ninth annual Toy Drive to help the needy and homeless for the holiday season.

Working with the Interfaith Council of Union County, DECA is raising funds and collecting new toys for over 100 children and 50 families of Interfaith who rotate from church to church in Union County for shelter.

DECA has held a Halloween party and will be having a Christmas Eve party for the children. The marketing students are requesting new toys, new clothing or cash donations from communities in the Union County area to benefit these children.

To donate new toys or make a cash contribution, or if any business would like to co-sponsor this activity, please call DECA at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School at (908) 889-8600, as soon as possible.

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**BOWLING FOR BABIES...**On October 26, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Chapter participated in a Bowl-A-Thon to benefit prenatal centers, research for children with birth defects and equipment for handicapped children. Members were given pledge sheets to collect pledges per pin and donations. Pictured above are members of the FBLA as they display a banner spotlighting the fundraiser.

## Local FBLA Chapter Sponsors Bowl-A-Thon

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Chapter held a Bowl-A-Thon on October 26 to aid the March of Dimes.

The organization's 50 members participated in the "You Can Make a Difference Day" project to support the March of Dimes' campaign against birth defects.

Beforehand, FBLA members were

given pledge sheets on which to collect pledges per pin and donations.

Proceeds will be presented to Marylou Dawson, a March of Dimes representative, who attended the Bowl-A-Thon. The funds will be used for prenatal care centers, research for children with birth defects, and equipment for handicapped children.

The chapter expects to raise over \$2,000 as a result of the Bowl-A-Thon.

## Lancaster, Ltd. Sets Drawing To Win Byers' Choice Santa

WESTFIELD — Lancaster, Ltd., located at 76 Elm Street in Westfield, will hold a special drawing on Sunday, November 22, around 3 p.m. to win a signed Old World Santa created by Byers' Choice Ltd. to commemorate its 20th anniversary.

The 14-inch figurine, called a Belsnickle, is a rustic fellow in a hooded fur costume, grinning beneath a bushy beard, carrying a buggy whip, lantern, jingling sleigh bells and a sack of toys on his back.

### Toastmasters Club Issues Final Call For Speaking Event

WESTFIELD — The Toastmasters of Westfield has announced that there is still room available for its Public Speaking Boot Camp this Saturday, November 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Hanson House, 38 Springfield Avenue in Cranford.

The goal of the program is for everyone attending to deliver a short autobiographical speech.

To register, please call (908) 276-7935.

Individuals may fill out entry cards to win the Belsnickle between noon and 3 p.m. on Sunday, when a Byers' Choice representative will also be on hand at the store to answer questions about the company's Caroler Figurines.

Entries may also be submitted at that time to win an oversized recreation of the Belsnickle, only 20 of which have been created by Byers' Choice. Standing 31 inches high, the figure is being distributed via drawing for those collectors who attend select Byers' Choice Ltd. events across the country.

After the event, Lancaster, Ltd., along with other stores nationwide, will send the entry cards for the oversized Belsnickle to Byers' Choice, where a drawing will take place in early December.

After the names are drawn, a "special messenger" will personally deliver each Belsnickle to the winners' homes, according to Byers' Choice representative Greg Roth.

The 14-inch Byers' Choice 20th Anniversary Belsnickle figurines are currently available for sale at Lancaster, Ltd.

## Recent SPFHS Grads Earn Advanced Placement Status

SCOTCH PLAINS — Twenty students in the Class of 1998 at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School (SPFHS) have been named Advanced Placement (AP) Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Examinations which they took in the spring of this year.

Only about 13 percent of the more than 635,000 students nationally who took the AP Examinations in May performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition, according

to Scotch Plains-Fanwood school district spokeswoman Kathleen L. Meyer.

Top performing students on the 1998 AP Exams from SPFHS included Sheri Weinberg, Jenny Finkel and Molly Johnson, who were designated as "AP Scholars with Distinction" for receiving an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Designated as "AP Scholars with Honors" were Douglas Bishop, Cynthia DeLisi, Masayuki Gibson, Michael Grossman, Micky Hingorani, Nicole Kreger, Carla Lewandowski and Marisa Mangione.

These students received an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more tests.

Jeanette Bonner, Joyce Chen, Ian Doebber, Jaimee Hills, John Lazzaretti, James Luciano, Amanda Palmatier, Jean Sih, and Jessica Warchol were named "AP Scholars" for having earned grades of 3 or higher on three or more AP Exams.

These students took a combined total of 84 AP Examinations and achieved an overall average of 4.1. They and other top-ranking SPFHS graduates are now continuing their education at some of the nation's leading colleges and universities, Mrs. Meyer said.

### American Girl Show Openings Remain For This Weekend

The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield has announced that tickets are still available to two out of its four American Girls Collection Fashion Shows.

Show openings remain for tomorrow, Friday, November 20, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, November 21, at 10 a.m. at L'Affaire on Route No. 22 in Mountainside.

Tickets are \$24 each and may be purchased by calling (908) 709-1177.

All proceeds will benefit the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless and other local charities.

### Town Bank of Westfield Names William H. Metz To Senior Positions

WESTFIELD — William H. Metz was recently named Branch Manager and Vice President of the Town Bank of Westfield by the bank's President and Chief Executive Officer, Frank N. Goffreda.

Mr. Metz, a resident of Linden, has nearly three decades of management level banking experience in Union County with a number of commercial banks, including the United Counties Trust Company.

He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Rutgers University and is also a graduate of the Stonier Graduate School of Banking. In addition, Mr. Metz is active in his local community as Treasurer of the Linden Lions Club and the Linden Economic Development Corporation and as a member of the Linden Industrial Association and the Union Township Chamber of Commerce.

He has been married for 35 years to his wife, Carol, and has two children, Michelle and Douglas.

The Town Bank of Westfield is located "on the circle" and is easily accessible to such surrounding Westfield communities as Fanwood, Mountainside, Garwood, Scotch Plains, Springfield and Cranford.

The bank provides commercial bank services to residents, professionals and small businesses. For additional information about the bank's products and services, please call (908) 301-0800.

## Journalist-Author to Discuss Alzheimer's at Saturday Event

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association's Union County Council for Caregivers will present a half-day seminar entitled "Living with Alzheimer's Disease" this Saturday, November 21, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The workshop, sponsored in cooperation with the Union County Department of Human Services, Division on

Aging, will be held in the Nomahegan Building of Union County College's Cranford campus, located at 1033 Springfield Avenue.

The featured speaker will be Stuart Awbrey, the author of "Chronicles of a Community Journalist," who was diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease in 1995. His address will take place from 9:10 to 9:30 a.m.

Mr. Awbrey will discuss the impact of the illness on him and his family in his presentation, entitled "One Man's Journey Through Alzheimer's Disease."

The seminar, which is open to the public, will also focus on disease treatment and research, caring for the caregiver, essential steps for providing care at home, and providing care for the newly-diagnosed individual and his or her caregiver.

Registration is \$10 per person, and limited scholarships are available. To register for the Union County Council for Caregivers or for more information about chapter programs and services, please contact the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, 299 Cherry Hill Road, Parsippany, 07054, or call (973) 316-6676.

### Overlook Hospital Sets Holiday Craft Show

Overlook Hospital in Summit will host a holiday craft show on Sunday, November 22, from 2 to 7 p.m., and Monday, November 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Wallace Auditorium at the hospital, located at 99 Beauvoir Avenue.

The event will feature crafters of country, Victorian and contemporary items, decorations and jewelry. Admission is free.

Proceeds from the show will benefit Overlook Hospital services, including the Valerie Center, which provides comprehensive health services for children with cancer and blood disorders.

For more information, please call Sherri Mraz Green at (908) 754-3120.



**CHECK THAT CHECK** — Harvey Alter and his mother, Beatrice Alter, second from right, present a check for \$2,000 to kick off the Children's Specialized Hospital Fundraiser, "Holiday Treasures," set for Friday through Sunday, November 20, 21 and 22, in the Westfield National Guard Armory. The donated funds were realized from raffles of "Beanie Babies" at the Alters' Bayberry Card and Gift Shop in Mountainside. Pictured accepting the donation are Hillary Weldon, Vice President of the hospital's auxiliary, left, and Elizabeth Loland, Chairwoman of the fund-raiser, co-sponsored by volunteers in the Auxiliary and Twigs from Westfield, Mountainside, Fanwood-Scotch Plains, and Summit-Short Hills.

## 'Holiday Treasures' On Tap This Weekend at Armory

WESTFIELD — Seventeen professional designers have donated their time and talents to help create over 600 unique tabletop trees, wreaths, centerpieces, topiaries, garlands and other seasonal items which will be offered for sale next week at "Holiday Treasures," a new fundraiser to benefit patients at Children's Specialized Hospital.

The three-day event will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21, and from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 22, in the National Guard Armory on Rahway Avenue in Westfield.

A preview party to kick off the event will be held tonight, Thursday, November 19, from 6 to 10 p.m. in the Armory. Admission to this event is \$50. For further information, please call (908) 232-0405.

"Holiday Treasures" is co-sponsored by the hospital's Auxiliary and Twigs Groups from Westfield, Fanwood-Scotch Plains, Mountainside and Summit-Short Hills.

In addition to seasonal and non-seasonal items, seven theme-decorated trees will be featured at the benefit. Five of the trees will be auctioned at the preview party, and all will remain on display throughout the weekend.

Refreshments and lunch will be available for purchase. General admission at the door will be \$5, and \$4 for senior citizens. All proceeds from the fundraiser will assist youngsters at CSH, the only rehabilitation hospital in New Jersey dedicated exclusively to children.

Located in Mountainside, CSH provides a network of services for children faced with chronic illnesses and disabilities, including acute rehabilitation, long-term care, ambulatory services, and education.

### Area Parks Department Sets Programs for Tots

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains Recreation Department of Parks has arranged two programs for youngsters, including live productions of Victor Herbert's *Babes in Toyland* and Walt Disney's *Anastasia On Ice*.

*Babes in Toyland*, featuring the "Wooden Soldiers," will be presented at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway on Sunday, December 13.

The bus will leave from the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains, at 2 p.m. Participants will see the 3 p.m. performance and return immediately after the show.

Tickets are \$11 for residents, children or adults, and \$13 for all non-residents. For more information or to register for the performance, please call (908) 322-6700, or visit the Recreation Office, Room 113.

*Anastasia On Ice* will be presented in the Continental Airlines Arena at the Meadowlands on Sunday, January 24, at 3:30 p.m. The bus will leave from the Municipal Building in Scotch Plains at 1:45 p.m.

Tickets cost \$22 each for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Registration starts on Tuesday, December 1. For further information, please call (908) 322-6700.

## Miller-Cory Museum to Hold Special Thanksgiving Feast

WESTFIELD — The Miller-Cory House Museum will feature its annual Colonial Thanksgiving feast demonstration over an open hearth this Sunday, November 22, from 2 to 5 p.m. at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

Museum cooks will prepare foods using authentic recipes and cooking methods of the period. Pumpkins, apples, corn, cranberries, potatoes and turkey are some of the traditional foods that will be prepared for the feast.

A presentation on early American table customs will also be part of the

festivities.

Tours of the 1740 farmhouse will be available throughout the afternoon, with the last tour scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m.

A gift shop on the premises features Colonial-era reproductions, cook books, and educational items.

Admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for children. Children under 6 will be admitted free. The museum will be closed on Sunday, November 29.

For information about the museum and its schedule of events, please call the museum office at (908) 232-1776.

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**HONORED FOR HER SERVICE...**The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield (JLEP) recently gave its Presidential Award to Sherl Brand of Westfield, left, who re-established the Community Advisory Board to serve the league. Pictured presenting the award to Mrs. Brand is Vicki Sweeney of the JLEP.

## Junior League Gives Award To Sherl Brand for Service

WESTFIELD—The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield (JLEP) presented Sherl Brand of Westfield with its President's Award for outstanding service at the organization's annual meeting in May.

The award is given each year to the volunteer who has contributed the most time and effort to the Junior League and to her community, according to JLEP spokeswoman Jeanne Hartnett.

Mrs. Brand joined the Junior League in 1993 and this past year served as its Membership Development Council Director. Her efforts helped to shape the plan and vision of JLEP's future by re-establishing the Community Advisory Board (CAB), Ms. Hartnett revealed.

The CAB is a formal group of community representatives whose purpose is to assist and advise the JLEP in general or on specific functions and tasks. CAB members help to identify pressing community needs and to review JLEP priorities for addressing those needs.

The board is beneficial to the league because it provides more direct links to the community, enhances the

league's visibility to other organizations and the community, and provides the JLEP membership with expert advice, the league spokeswoman said.

In addition, the CAB serves as a sounding board for community opinion, keeps the league informed about other community organizations and activities, and helps to evaluate the effectiveness of the league's projects.

Mrs. Brand lives in Westfield with her husband, Owen, and their two children, Ryan, 7, and Taylor, 4.

## New Groups Plan to Join Local Recycling Association

FANWOOD — The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Recycling Association recently accepted its first member group outside of Fanwood or Scotch Plains.

Joining the association's ranks is the Youth Group of the First United Methodist Church in Westfield. Other groups accepted as members are from the Fanwood Presbyterian Church and the Scotch Plains-Fanwood "Cobras," a girls' softball team sponsored by the Police Athletic League.

Until recently, the association accepted groups exclusively from Fanwood or Scotch Plains, but amended its by-laws so that organizations in neighboring towns which meet association criteria may become members.

The association operates the Recycling Center in Fanwood. According to association President Robert H. Sommerich, Fanwood is the only community in the county which depends wholly on its citizens to bring their recyclables to the center instead of having curbside pickup.

The association is a tax-exempt, non-profit organization composed of approximately 19 non-profit, community-based groups.

Each organization furnishes personnel to help at the Recycling Center on Saturdays, for which they are paid. The groups use the funds they earn for charitable purposes such as college scholarships, or to cover the cost of their activities.

The income distributed to the groups is dependent entirely on sales of recyclable material brought to the center. If sufficient funds are available, the association makes its own donations.

Local residents are invited to bring their recyclables to the facility. Hours

are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Wednesdays are do-it-yourself days; help is available on Saturdays.

The following recyclables are acceptable: glass bottles (separated by color), aluminum and tin cans, old newspapers (bundled and tied), old books, old magazines, mixed paper, corrugated paper, plastic bottles, used motor oil, old clothing, shoes and blankets, old wire hangers; car batteries and old household batteries.

In addition, small steel items are accepted, as well as aluminum items such as siding, downspouts, doors and windows (without glass), and pots and pans.

### Girl Scouts to Sponsor Mitten Tree Project To Assist the Needy

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Girl Scout community is seeking support from the community-at-large in aiding New Jersey's needy children and adults by contributing new, warm mittens, gloves, hats, scarves and socks to its Mitten Tree Project.

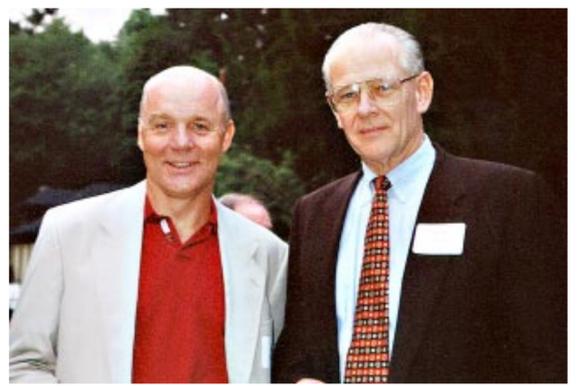
Collection boxes will be available during the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce-sponsored arrival of Santa Claus on Sunday, November 29, at 5 p.m. at the northside train station.

In addition, collection boxes will be available in all Westfield elementary and intermediate schools from Monday, November 23, to Friday, December 11.

The Mitten Tree Project, which is in its seventh year, was initiated in 1992 to aid needy children. At the request of recipient agencies, the project was expanded to include adults.

Each year, primarily through the efforts of Girl Scout collections in the schools, approximately 500 new, warm mittens, gloves, scarves, hats and socks are distributed to St. Joseph's Social Service Center and the Elizabeth Coalition for the Homeless, both in Elizabeth, St. Clare's Home for Children in Elizabeth, Jersey City and Neptune, and Madonna House in Neptune.

Seeking to assist even greater numbers of needy and to procure greater involvement of the Westfield community-at-large, the Westfield Girl Scouts are appealing to all families attending Santa's arrival on November 29, to encourage the spirit of giving in their young children by having them deposit their donation in the Mitten Tree collection boxes which will be located on either side of Santa.



**APPROACHING THE GOAL...**The United Fund of Westfield campaign has reached \$485,850 or 79 percent of its \$615,000 goal. Pictured, left to right, are: Dr. William Foley, Chairman of the Public School Employees Division, and Special Gifts solicitor Tom Cassidy. Donations may be sent to the United Fund, 301 North Avenue West, Westfield.

## Toll-Free Number Available For MV Inspection Program

A toll-free telephone number for motorists to call for information about New Jersey's new, enhanced motor vehicle inspection program was recently activated.

The number, (888)-NJ-MOTOR (888-656-6867), will be available to motorists during the state inspection facilities' new business hours for questions specific to the new enhanced inspection program.

Questions related to subjects other than the new enhanced inspection program, such as licensing, registration and titles, should still be directed to the current toll-free number maintained by New Jersey Motor Vehicle Services (888) 486-3339.

Hours of operation for all 35 state Motor Vehicle Services stations have been expanded by an additional 10 hours per week. The stations are now open from 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on weekdays, and one day per week until 7:30 p.m. They are also open from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

### Applications Available for Elks Scholarships

WESTFIELD — Applications are now available for the Elks National Foundation's annual "Most Valuable Student" contest.

The Foundation will give "500" special four-year awards, ranging from \$1,000 to \$7,500 for the top award, 20 of which will go to New Jersey seniors.

The State Elks Association of New Jersey will give an additional 96 allocated awards of \$500 each throughout the state.

The Elks National Foundation awards over \$2,100,000 every year to deserving seniors, while the State Association gives \$96,000 in scholarships. The winners are selected based on financial need, leadership and scholarship.

The application must be made on a current copy of the official form, which may be obtained from any local Elks Lodge Scholarship Chairman.

For further information, please contact John A. Roberts, Jr., State Scholarship Chairman, 4 Sutton Court, Marlton, 08053, or call (609) 596-8492.

### Wilson Student Council Conducts Relief Drive For Honduran Victims

WESTFIELD—The Student Council of Wilson Elementary School in Westfield recently launched a Honduran Relief Drive for the people of Honduras.

The storm destroyed roads, the water system, and food warehouses, leaving over 600,000 people homeless and without supplies to survive.

Wilson School has been asked by the American Red Cross to collect baby items including packaged diapers, ready-to-feed formula, new or like new children's clothing, baby bottles and related items.

The school has requested that donations be sent to the school, to the attention of Beth Friedman or Laura Schneider, by Friday, November 20.

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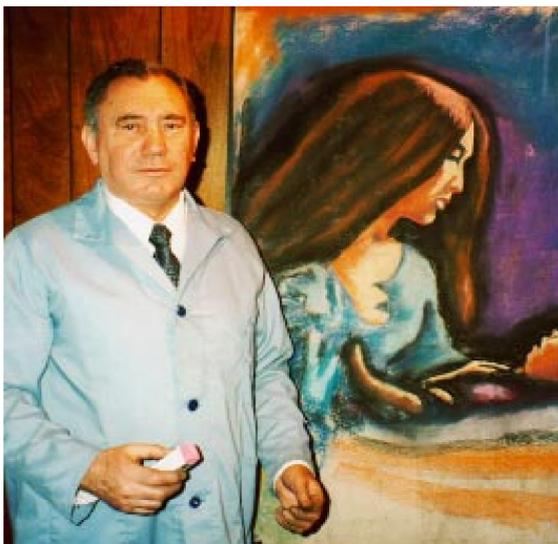
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**NATIVITY ART...**The First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains, located at 1171 Terrill Road in Scotch Plains, will feature a Nativity in Art motif on Sunday, November 29, at 7 p.m., when the Christmas story will be portrayed through art, music and readings. The Reverend Matthew V. Labriola, pictured above, a former commercial artist and a United Methodist Pastor, will present the program, entitled "A King in a Stable." Arranging the music is John Krouse, organist-choir Director. The Advent program, sponsored by the United Methodist Women, will be preceded by a family covered dish dinner at 6 p.m. For further information, please call (908) 322-9222.



**LIKE THEIR FOREFATHERS...**Members of the First Congregational Church of Westfield, wearing traditional Pilgrim collars and caps, proceed to the "meeting house" for a Thanksgiving service. Pictured, left to right, are: Phil Richardson, Brian Many, Bob Many, Chuck Woodward, and Bona Wieland. Visitors are welcome to attend this year's Pilgrim service on Sunday, November 22, at 10 a.m. at the First Congregational Church, 125 Elmer Street in Westfield.

**First Congregational Church Plans Thanksgiving Services**

WESTFIELD - The First Congregational Church at 125 Elmer Street in Westfield will celebrate Thanksgiving with a traditional Pilgrim service on Sunday, November 22, at 10 a.m.

The sanctuary of the church will be modified to resemble a Pilgrim meeting house and parishioners will arrive in costumes appropriate to the time, such as dark clothing, white collars, bonnets or hats.

The service will include a Thanksgiving proclamation, prayers, and the singing of Psalm 100 and others by "lining out" (without choir or musical accompaniment). Tything men and women will circulate throughout the service with long poles to tickle or

poke sleeping parishioners.

This year's service will also incorporate elements of modern worship to demonstrate how spiritual expression has evolved since the early 17th century.

Visitors are invited to arrive at 9:45 a.m. and meet in the church basement to wear a Pilgrim hat and bib. Children from first grade up are invited to attend the service and child care will be provided for those younger.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, a special offering of money or non-perishable food will be taken.

For further information, please call the church office at (908) 233-2494.



**GINGERBREAD HOUSES...**The First United Methodist Church in Westfield is currently accepting registrations for its fourth annual Advent celebrations. Displaying gingerbread houses they created during a previous holiday season, pictured left to right, are: front row, Erika Uzzolino, Andrew Wilson and Grace Thomas, and back row, Ben Thomas, Max Thomas and Kara Uzzolino.

**First United Methodist Church To Present Advent Services**

WESTFIELD—The Spiritual Life Committee of the First United Methodist Church of Westfield is currently accepting registrations for its fourth annual Advent celebrations.

Members of the community are invited to join in weekly gatherings to celebrate the Advent season.

There will be a gathering on the first Sunday, November 29, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at the church to begin the season, during which attendees will break into small groups.

Each group will create an advent wreath. Refreshments will be served and an Advent celebration will be held in the sanctuary.

Small groups will meet on the following three Sundays, December 6, 13 and 20, in homes or at the church for worship, including scripture readings, prayer, songs and Advent activities.

To register, please call the church

office at (908) 233-4211. Any questions regarding the celebrations may be directed to Debbie Thomas through the church office.

**Christian Scientists Plan Special Service For Thanksgiving**

FANWOOD—The First Church of Christ, located 257 Midway Avenue in Fanwood, will hold its Thanksgiving church services on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, from 11 a.m. to noon. All are invited to attend. Child care will be provided.

The lesson-sermon will feature selections from the Bible, and Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy.

Later, members of the congregation will have an opportunity to give testimonies and expressions of gratitude appropriate for the occasion.

**Willow Grove Church Plans Dedication of New Nursery**

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, located at 1961 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains, will dedicate its newly renovated nursery on Consecration Sunday, November 22, in conjunction with the 10:30 a.m. service at the church.

The guest preacher at the service will be the Reverend Allan Conover, Pastor of the Reformed Church of West Cossackie, New York, and former President of the Peniel Bible conference. Following the service will be a catered luncheon with fellowship in the church's Ryno Hall.

Several women of the congregation, led by Corinne Coates, spent many hours transforming the former baby room into the new nursery called "the Children's Ark," according to church spokeswoman Barbara Couphos.

Families with young children are invited to visit the Willow Grove Church Nursery. Trudy Klingelhofer and Mrs. Coates, both of Westfield, are coordinating the staffing of the new nursery during worship and Sunday School hours.

For more information about Willow Grove Church and its varied programs for adults and children,

please call the church office at (908) 232-5678 Monday through Friday, or leave a message.

**St. Helen's Church Plans Parish Retreat**

WESTFIELD—St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield will host a Parish Retreat, entitled "A Time of Grace," from Sunday to Wednesday, November 29 and 30, and December 1 and 2 at 8 p.m. in the church. All are invited to attend.

The Reverend Michael Sullivan of the Augustinian Preaching Apostolate at Villanova University in Pennsylvania will present the program.

During his series of four talks, he will discuss his vision of Jesus' love for all people in an entertaining and humorous way, according to church spokeswoman Betty Cagnassola.

Ordained in 1967, Reverend Sullivan spent three years as an Associate Pastor in Brooklyn. He has been a member of the Executive Council and Executive Board of Worldwide Marriage Encounter, and in 1980 was appointed to full-time retreat work and parish renewal preaching.

**Temple Emanu-El to Present Musical Recalling Holocaust**

WESTFIELD—The Temple Emanu-El Choir will perform a musical, "I Never Saw Another Butterfly," on Friday, December 11, at the temple at 756 East Broad Street in Westfield. Services at the temple, located at 756 East Broad Street in Westfield, begin at 8:15 p.m.

A major Holocaust work composed by Charles Davidson, it was originally scheduled for a Kristallnacht obser-

vance at the temple on November 6, but was postponed.

The poetry, which is the major focus of the work, was written by children while imprisoned in the Theresienstadt Ghetto during World War II. Another choral work, entitled "Even When God is Silent," will also be performed.

Soloists will be Laura Holland, Brenda Kay and Cantor Martha Novick. The evening's performance will be conducted by Geoffrey Petersen, organist and Choir Director of the temple. The community is invited to attend.

**Thanksgiving Service Planned for Sunday**

**At Presbyterian Church**

FANWOOD—Congregants of the Fanwood Presbyterian Church will worship in the style of the Pilgrims and Puritans this Sunday, November 22, at 10 a.m.

Proclamation to be read by Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly at its service on Sunday, November 22, at 10 a.m.

The service will be led by Pilgrim drummers, a costumed choir, a beadle and ministers.

As a way of remembering the close relationship between church and state during the Colonial era, Fanwood Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly will read the Presidential Thanksgiving proclamation at the service.

Those attending are asked to bring an article of canned goods, which will be collected during the service and distributed to the Women's Shelter in Elizabeth and the Salvation Army in Plainfield.

The church is located at the corner of Martine and La Grande Avenues in Fanwood, and is wheelchair accessible. For further information, please call (908) 889-1709.

**Redeemer Lutheran Announces Services For Christ the King**

WESTFIELD - The Redeemer Lutheran Church and School, located at Clark and Cowperthwaite Streets in Westfield, will observe Christ the King Sunday on November 22 with services at 8:30 and 11 a.m.

The Reverend Deric Taylor, Campus Pastor at Concordia College in Bronxville, New York, will be this year's guest preacher.

These services will emphasize the central role of Jesus in the Christian faith, and the many facets of the church. Redeemer School children will sing during both services.

Redeemer School, which is observing its 45th anniversary this year, currently enrolls 140 students in nursery through grade 6. It serves students from many Westfield area communities, as well as from other countries.

For more information, please call (908) 232-1517 or (908) 232-1592.



**CHASTE COMMITMENT...**The Evangel Church in Scotch Plains recently sponsored a five-week "True Love Waits" program for teenagers, focusing on sexual purity. At the end of the series, 22 middle and high school students participated in a commitment service during Sunday morning worship. Parents supported their teenagers by praying with them and standing by them as they signed a pledge card of sexual purity, in which they promised to abstain from all forms of sexual activity until marriage.

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**Ketubah Couples Plan Harold's Deli Dinner**

The B'nai B'rith Ketubah Married Couples Unit (40-plus) will hold a dinner at Harold's New York Deli Restaurant in the Ramada Inn on Woodbridge Avenue in Edison on Sunday, November 22, at 6 p.m.

Members and prospective members, as well as their children, are invited to attend.

To attend, please call Phyllis at (973) 992-5791 by today, Thursday, November 19.

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May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer nine times a day, at the eight day your prayers will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude



**ROTARY RAFFLE...**The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club recently held The Share in Youth Raffle which will benefit local youth charities and activities such as Tiny Tim Fund, Contact We Care, Resolve, Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School student Leadership, Scotch Plains-Fanwood YMCA and The Dave Ringle High School Scholarship Fund. Pictured, left to right, are: Fanwood-Scotch Plains Share in Youth Co-Chairwomen Lauren Birns and Carol Woo, President of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary, and Chairman Dr. James Checchio. Tickets may be purchased from any Rotary Club member. For more ticket information, please call Dr. Checchio at (908) 889-0660. The Rotary meets every Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. at the Park Place Restaurant in Scotch Plains.

## Tree Sale at Oratory Prep Underway Through Nov. 25

Oratory Prep School in Summit will hold its annual tree sale to benefit its activities fund. Frazer fir Christmas trees, averaging six to nine feet in height, are priced from \$42 to \$64. Wreaths are sold in four sizes, from 12 inches to 24 inches, and cost between \$8 and \$18. Pine roping is available at \$1 per yard.

Orders will be taken by Oratory students or may be placed with Walter Crum, Student Council Advisor, by calling (908) 273-1084 until Wednesday, November 25. A deposit equal to half the total amount is required.

The greenery may be picked up in front of Oratory's Newman Hall, 14 Bedford Road, directly off Morris Avenue, on Friday, December 4, between 2 and 6 p.m., or on Saturday, December 5, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Proceeds from this sale are used to defray the cost of the prom, the semi-formal and other school dances, according to Mr. Crum. The money also helps to fund Spirit Month activities, the junior school trip and a Student Council gift to the school, he added.

## LEARN Program to Spotlight Legal Aspects of Prescriptions

SCOTCH PLAINS — Kathleen McDonald, a nurse practitioner with Diabetes Service at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, will be the guest speaker for a program sponsored by the League for Educational Advancement for Registered Nurses (LEARN).

The program will be held this Monday, November 23, at 7:45 p.m. at the All Saints' Church Parish House, 559 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Attendees will learn about the current legal environment for prescription of medications and devices by Advanced Practice Nurses (APN) in New Jersey.

In addition, pharmacological considerations in the use of these medications by the elderly will be reviewed.

Contact hours of 2.4 have been granted by the New Jersey State Nurses Association, which is accredited as an approver of Continuing Education in Nursing by the American Nurses Association Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

LEARN, a professional organization for registered nurses, offers eight programs per academic year on current nursing topics. Annual membership is \$35, and guest fees are \$10

### Memorial Event Hosts Betsy McKenzie-Stubbs

WESTFIELD — Betsy McKenzie-Stubbs, a vocal instructor at the Music Studio, a division of The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts (NJWA), was a featured soloist at the Annual Veterans Day Memorial Ceremony on November 11 at the monument for veterans of World War I in Westfield.

Mrs. McKenzie-Stubbs sang "God Bless America" without accompaniment. This marked her first appearance in Westfield at the Veterans Day Ceremony.

She has performed with the Westminster Opera Theater, the Musical Club of Westfield, The Trenton Civic Opera, and VOICES, Inc., and currently teaches voice at the Music Studio.

Dr. Theodore K. Schlosberg, founder and Executive Director of NJWA, played the traditional Taps using a Bach Stradivarius Trumpet.

For more information on NJWA, please call (908) 789-9696.

## Obituaries

### Gloria Martin, 78, Earned Commendation For 30 Years of Service as Crossing Guard

Gloria J. Martin, 78, of Westfield died on Saturday, November 14, at the Beth Israel Medical Center in Newark.

Born in Brooklyn, she grew up in East Orange and moved to Westfield in 1950.

Mrs. Martin had been a crossing guard in Westfield for 30 years, and received a commendation upon her retirement earlier this year.

She was predeceased by her husband, George Martin, in 1977.

Surviving are three sons, Richard Martin and Glenn Martin, both of Westfield, and George Martin of Edison; a sister, Rose Mulvaney of Verona; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services took place on Tuesday, November 17, at the Gray Funeral Home, 318 East Broad Street in Westfield. Interment was private.

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### Stella Prehodka, Active in Deborah; Retiree from Markay Bag, Plainfield

Stella Kaplan Prehodka, 86, of South Plainfield, died Wednesday, November 11, at the Greater Baltimore Medical Center in Maryland.

Born in Bayonne, she had lived in South Plainfield for more than 70 years.

Mrs. Prehodka had worked at Muhlenberg Hospital in Plainfield and later had worked as a quality control inspector for many years at Markay Bag Company of Plainfield before retiring more

than 20 years ago.

She was a longtime member of the Ladies Garment Workers Union of New York City.

She was also an active member of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Russian Orthodox Church in South Plainfield where she worked on its Pierogi Project.

Mrs. Prehodka was a member of the South Plainfield Senior Citizens and had marched with the organization for many years in the annual South Plainfield Labor Day Parade. She also worked with the Caring and Sharing Project in South Plainfield. She was a member of the Plainfield Chapter of Deborah.

She was predeceased by her husband of more than 60 years, Charles Prehodka, in 1991, and by her son, Navy Chief Petty Officer (Ret.) Charles Prehodka.

Surviving are two daughters, Jeanette Lenoci of Churchville, Maryland, and Carolyn Wolfe of Athens, Georgia; two sons, Lieutenant Commander (Ret.) Theodore Prehodka of Plainfield and Henry Prehodka of New York City; two sisters, Julia Diana of Seminole, Florida, and Marion Gibney of Mountaintop; three brothers, John Kaplan of South Plainfield, Zigmund Kaplan of Bixby, Oklahoma, and Stanley Kaplan of Readington; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, November 16, at McCrisky Home for Funerals in South Plainfield. A Funeral Liturgy followed at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Russian Orthodox Church in South Plainfield. Panachida services were held at the funeral home.

Memorial donations may be made to the Nativity of Blessed Virgin Russian Orthodox Church in South Plainfield.

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### Evelyn Cirasella, 75

Evelyn E. Jones Cirasella, 75, of Barnegat, died Saturday, November 14, at Atlantic Coast Rehabilitation in Lakewood.

Born in Irvington, she lived in Hawthorne, Bloomfield, Newark, Scotch Plains, Plainfield, Clark and Holiday City at Berkeley before moving to Barnegat in 1986.

Mrs. Cirasella was a salesperson at Sears in Watchung for two years before retiring in 1978. She had previously worked for Best & Co. of Watchung for 20 years.

She was predeceased by a son, Richard A. Badore, in 1978; another son, Frank J. Badore, Jr. in 1988; a sister, Jacqueline White in 1989; and a brother, Norman Jones.

Surviving are her husband, Michael A. Cirasella; three sons, Wayne E. Badore of Chamblee, Georgia, Dennis R. Badore of Alpha, and Donald K. Badore of Clinton; a daughter, Diane G. Badore of Whiting; ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, November 18, at the Community Reformed Church in Whiting. Funeral arrangements were handled by Manchester Memorial Funeral Home in Whiting.

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### Edward Miller, Set Up Civil Service; Was Local Public Works Employee

Edward A. Miller, 84, of Scotch Plains, died Sunday, November 15, at home.

Born in Leetes Island, Connecticut, he had lived in Elizabeth prior to moving to Scotch Plains in the 1950s.

Mr. Miller had worked for the Scotch Plains Department of Public

Works for 24 years prior to retiring in 1978.

He was active in instituting the civil service in Scotch Plains. He was a direct descendant of General George Brinton McClellan, general in chief of the Union Army during the Civil War.

In his youth, he was an active member of Boy Scout Troop No. 13. He was predeceased by his wife, Elena Blanche Miller, in 1979.

Surviving are nieces and nephews. A Funeral Service will be held today, Thursday, November 19, at 10 a.m. at Rossi Funeral Home in Scotch Plains, preceded by a 9 a.m. visitation.

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### Doris Muller, 93

Doris Muller, 93, of Newport, New Hampshire, died Saturday, November 14, at the Springfield Health and Rehabilitation Center in Springfield, Vermont.

Born in Copenhagen, Denmark, she had lived in Elizabeth, Cranford and Scotch Plains most of her life before moving to Charlestown, New Hampshire in 1992 and then to Newport in 1997.

Mrs. Muller had been a member of the Cranford Alliance Church, a Past President of the Alliance Retired Fellowship of the Alliance Church, and a volunteer for the Union Hospital and the American Red Cross.

She was predeceased by her husband, Gerald F. Muller, Jr., in 1996, and two sisters, Ingeborg Hartten and Karla Niedrach.

Surviving are two daughters, Carolyn Ritchie of New Hall, California and Joan Jenkins of Charlestown; a half-brother, Niels Peter Jensen of California; seven grandchildren and v22 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, November 22, in the Charlestown Memorial Chapel.

Interment will be held at Evergreen Cemetery in Hillside. Donations may be made to the Cranford Alliance Church, Cherry Street, Cranford, 07016.

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### Ulysses Lee, 77, Local Elks Member; Was Usher at Bethel Baptist Church

Ulysses Lee, 77, of Plainfield died on Monday, November 9, at Robert Wood Johnson Nursing Center.

Born in Camden, South Carolina, he had lived in Westfield before moving to Plainfield 40 years ago.

He was an usher and member of the Bethel Baptist Church in Westfield for 50 years.

Mr. Lee had been a forklift operator at General Motors Corporation in Linden for 38 years, retiring in 1990.

He was a member of the United Auto Workers Local No. 595 in Linden, the Centennial Lodge Independent Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World 400 in Westfield, and of the Plainfield Senior Citizens' Service Program.

Surviving are five sons, Keith Lee of Atlanta and Bobby McLean, Tyrone McLean, Michael McLean and Nicholas McLean, all of Plainfield; seven daughters, Mary L. McNair, Darlene Lee and Dawn Lee, all of Atlanta, Judy L. Harrington of Westfield and Veronica McLean, Victoria McLean and Bettina McLean of Plainfield; a brother, Boykin Lee of Paterson; two sisters, Eva Frederick of Plainfield and Laura Atkins of Camden, South Carolina;

21 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Friday, November 13, at the Bethel Baptist Church.

Arrangements were handled by the Judkins Colonial Home in Plainfield.

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### Eleanor C. Thomas, 94

Eleanor C. Thomas, 94, of Westfield, died Friday, November 13, at Pine Rest Health Care in Paramus.

Born in Annadale, she had lived in Rahway for 41 years before moving to Westfield 10 years ago.

Mrs. Thomas was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star chapter in Somerville. She was a volunteer with the Rahway Hospital Auxiliary for 12 years and, during World War II, the American Red Cross.

Surviving are two sons, William H. Thomas and Howard Thomas, Jr.; seven grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, November 17, in the Vander Hoven Chapel at Hazelwood Cemetery in Clark. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Lehrer-Gibilisco Funeral Home in Rahway.

November 18, 1998

### John Voelker, 73, U.S. Army Veteran; Was Active in Fanwood Rescue Squad

John Paul Voelker, 73, of Forked River, died Sunday, November 15, in the Lacey Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Forked River.

Born in Newark, he had lived in Fanwood for 34 years before moving to Forked River in 1987.

He was a United States Army veteran of World War II.

Mr. Voelker graduated from Rutgers University in Newark.

He was a chemist with Tenneco in Piscataway for 20 years before retiring. He was also a part-time licensed practical nurse at Union Hospital.

He was a 30-year member of the Fanwood Rescue Squad and a member of the American Chemical Society.

Surviving are his wife, Lois A. Beatty Voelker; two sons, Robert D. Voelker of Manhattan and Paul J. Voelker of San Pedro, Costa Rica; two daughters, Margaret E. Maloof of Parsippany and Nancy L. Voelker of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; a sister, Ethel Gilliam of Port Deposit, Maryland, and six grandchildren.

A Funeral Service will be held today, Thursday, November 19, at 9 a.m. in Layton's Home for Funerals, 250 West Lacey Road, Forked River.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lacey Township First Aid Squad, P. O. Box 289, Forked River, 08731 or Compassionate Care Hospice, 58 Mill Street, Mt. Holly, 08060.

November 19, 1998

### Mary L. Tyson Thorne

Mary L. Tyson Thorne, 57, of Somerset, died Thursday, November 12, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born in Plainfield, she had lived in Fanwood and Trenton before moving to Somerset 20 years ago.

Mrs. Thorne was a 1961 graduate of Trenton State College.

She was an elementary school teacher in Watchung and Middlesex for 36 years.

Mrs. Thorne was a member of the New Jersey Education Association and the Middlesex Education Association.

Surviving are her husband, LeRoy A. Thorne; a son, Drew Thorne of Stirling; and a brother, Troy R. Tyson of Covit, Massachusetts.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, November 17, at the Boylan Funeral Home in New Brunswick.

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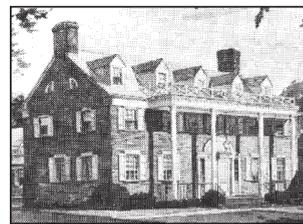


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Raiders Advance to State Soccer Finals. See Stories in 11-26 Issue

# THE WEEK IN SPORTS

**FERRARA SCORES 2; FIORINO AND SIGMON ASSIST**

## Raiders Win Fifth in-a-Row; Whip Wolfpack Boys, 2-0

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



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
NECESSARY INGREDIENT...Sophomore Dave Sigmon, No. 5, has played a major role in the Raider boys success this season.

feating a fine West Morris Central team, 2-0, at Shimme A. Wexler Field in Scotch Plains on November 13. Friday the 13th was definitely good luck for junior Eugene Ferrara as he hexed the Wolfpack net with both goals.

All was not rosy for the Raiders. The Wolfpack took offensive control for the first five minutes before the

Raiders could even put together their offensive. When they did, on two occasions Raider Todd Moser penetrated the middle and headed two shots at the goal which were caught by goalie Nico Barnes.

For the next 10 minutes, the Wolfpack continued to put on the pressure. One exception came when Peter Kobliska worked his way down the right side and passed left to the highly energetic Mike Zotti in the center. From there, Zotti, amid several Wolfpack defenders, got off a shot that was deflected and veered just to the left of the post.

With 20:32 left in the half, Zotti was tripped in the box and Moser took a free kick that hooked over the Wolfpack wall and into the arms of Barnes. Three minutes later, Zotti nearly scored when he sharply headed a shot off the crossbar.

For a brief period, the Wolfpack got inspired after teammate Dave Twitchell was knocked down and suffered a rib injury. Wolfpack forward Mike Baumbach took a wicked shot, but Raider goalie Brad Lowyns made a great leaping save to turn back the attack.

The offensive tide began to shift to the Raiders in the final 13 minutes of the half. Coach Breznitsky had Moser

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David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
TRAMPLING OVER THE WOLFPACK...Blue Devil Tom Lee, No. 1, tramples over several members of the Wolfpack and scores a touchdown with 4:30 remaining. Westfield won the Section 2, Group 3 game over West Morris Central, 30-6, at Gary Kehler Stadium in Westfield on November 14.

**DOERR PASSES FOR TWO TD'S, KICKS FIELD GOAL**

## Devils Endanger a Species; Destroy the Wolfpack, 30-6

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

A taste of victory in a state sectional game has not occurred for the Westfield High School football team since the Blue Devils defeated Barringer, 33-12, in the sectional finals before a crowd of 32,232 at Giants Stadium in 1977\* (See Sports Editor's Note). On November 14 at Gary Kehler Stadium in Westfield, the Blue Devils nearly made the Wolfpack from West Morris Central an endangered species by shelling them 30-6. Senior quarterback Brandon Doerr, the Blue Devil player of the game, participated in the destruction, passing for two touchdowns and kicking a 27-yard field goal.

The Blue Devils provided weapons in every aspect of the game. In the first half, the Blue Devil defense held the Wolfpack to only 27 total yards. Senior defensive end Gabe Perez constantly pressured Wolfpack quarterbacks James Henkel and Craig Cammarata. Defensive tackle Devin Griffiths stopped anything which ran his way. Superb blocking by Tom

Langton, Rob Albino and Matt Krug paved the way for backs Lamont Turner, Todd Dowling and Tom Lee to make huge gains.

"We expected a real battle. We came to play," said Tranchina. "We played a very physical game."

The Blue Devils' first score came on a 61-yard drive which was finalized when Turner drilled three yards through the Wolfpack defensive line and into the endzone with 10:09 remaining in the half. Doerr's successful kick made the score, 7-0.

The Wolfpack had the ball deep in their own territory. Henkel dropped back to pass, but when Perez and Griffiths came storming at him like angry, snorting rhinoceroses, he dropped the football and Perez pounced upon it at the 10.

On the very first play, with 9:06 left in the half, Doerr hit senior Maurice Boatwright in the right corner of the endzone. The score remained at 13-0 when the extra point failed.

The Blue Devils immediately started the offensive wheels of

progress rolling in the second half when Lee took the kickoff from the 25 to the 45. Dowling smashed nine yards to the Wolfpack 46, then bashed his way to the 41 for a first down. A pitchout to Turner moved the ball to the 30, then Dowling took the handoff and barreled to the 18 for another first down. After Dowling plunged to the 10 to set up a third-and-one situation, a bungled pitchout forced the Blue Devils to attempt a field goal from the 10. Doerr split the uprights with 7:59 left of the third quarter and the Blue Devils' lead was increased to 16-0.

The Wolfpack had their first significant drive of the game when they moved the ball from their own nine to the Blue Devil 43. From there, Perez tossed Cammarata for a seven-yard loss, then the Wolfpack was penalized five yards for lining up off sides. On the next play, Perez and Griffiths bounced Cammarata for another five-yard loss.

A Wolfpack punt was fielded by Turner at the 24. From there, Turner

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**L. CARAVELLO GRABS 1ST IN UNEVENS; NEW RECORD SET**

## Blue Devil Gymnasts Finish Fourth in State Tournament

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

Freshman Lauren Caravello swung her way to a state title on the uneven bars and the Westfield High School girls gymnastics team made a spectacular showing, placing fourth with a 108.95 total at the New Jersey High School Girls Gymnastic Championships at Shawnee High School in Medford on November 13. Once again, the Blue Devil girls set another Westfield High School record with their team total.

Only once before had the Blue Devil girls placed higher in the state tournament. In 1992, the Blue Devils placed second with a lower total of 101.8.

"Even though we finished fourth, this year's team was better," claimed Blue Devil Head Coach Ellen Kovac. "It's just that the competition this year was much tougher."

Lauren Caravello's first place performance on the uneven bars was the best Blue Devil showing since Dawn Verschilling placed third in the all around in 1990.

"It was a beautiful routine. In addition to her front and back giants and her giant with a Healy twirl, she added a double-back flyaway," ex-

plained Kovac. "Not only was it high and clean, but she did it perfectly which got her no deductions."

Lauren Caravello also placed 12th in the all around with a total of 36.15, placed 11th on the beam with a 9.0, had a 9.1 on the floor and an 8.45 in the vaulting.

Every one of the girls had spectacular performances and turned in very high totals in the all around.

"Every girl added something to their routines," said Kovac. "The additions were what I termed as prudent risks."

Senior Julie Elmuccio placed 11th in the all around with a total of 36.175. She placed fifth in the floor exercises with a 9.35 and eighth on the uneven bars with a 9.2. Elmuccio also had very good scores of 8.875 in the vault and an 8.75 on the balance beam.

"She did a very difficult double-twisting full layout somersault and on one of her passes, she did a front flip to a round off to a full-twisting back flip," pointed out Kovac of Elmuccio's floor routine.

The rules of the state tournament have always been quite complex and a very interesting situation occurred with reference to senior Laurie

Hogan's performances.

Hogan registered a score of 9.425 on the floor exercises which would have placed her third. In addition, Hogan totaled 36.225 in the all around which would have placed her 10th.

"Laurie would have placed third on the floor, but because she placed

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David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Blue Devil Lauren Caravello



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
BURSTING THROUGH FOR YARDAGE...Raider La'Marr McDaniel, No. 30, cracks through the Nutley line for a good gain during the consolation game at Perry Tyson Field in Scotch Plains on November 14.



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**FOLLOWING THROUGH...**Raider Mike Franzone, No. 7, follows through with the action even though the ball is out of bounds. The Raiders defeated the Wolffpack, 2-0, in Scotch Plains on November 13.



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
**CLOSE ENCOUNTERS...**Raider Mike Franzone, right, collides with the Wolffpack goalie after a corner kick.

## Raiders Win Fifth in-a-Row; Whip Wolffpack Boys, 2-0

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shift positions with Ferrara. Wolffpack midfielder Todd Trautz did a fine job of heading the ball away from his defensive center, but the Raiders kept getting more aggressive. With 4:02 left in the half, Kobliska penetrated the center and burned a power shot just over the crossbar.

The Raider noose got tighter. Raider Dave Sigmon crossed to Zotti who thumped a header which was knocked away by Barnes with 2:22 left. Eighteen seconds later, Ferrara took a pass from Sigmon in the center and ripped the net to put the Raiders ahead, 1-0.

"I was in the back all the time as sweeper. Then he (Breznitsky) moved me up. I got real anxious. The ball was just out and I hit it in the corner, then turned around and celebrated that one," said Ferrara about the first goal.

The second half began with the Wolffpack assuming offensive control for the first nine minutes, but the Raiders soon took over the reins. With the physical play accelerating, pushing and tripping occurred and some yellow cards were displayed. Moser fired a few free kicks which were deflected out of bounds by the goalie.

A neat play occurred when Raider Ryan Hahner tossed in to Tafari Laing who tapped it back to Hahner. Then Hahner hooked a shot to Ferrara in the middle who headed the ball just to the right of the pole.

With 16:36 remaining, Jeff Fiorino had a corner kick on the right side. He launched a shot to the center. Ferrara flew to the center and headed the ball into the upper right side of the net to give the Raiders a 2-0 cushion.

"It was another corner kick. Jeff puts the ball right across. I saw it and jumped up, called Pete (Kobliska) off of it and it just went in," explained Ferrara. "Jeff likes to play me the ball so I use him as much as I can."

Commenting on the strategy used by Breznitsky, Moser explained, "They stuck somebody on me in the beginning and the guy was real tight on me. He did a good job. When Eugene and I switched, they (Wolffpack) didn't mark him (Ferrara) man-to-man and they didn't have anyone shadowing him. Obviously it showed it when he scored both goals."

Moser continued, "We switched about 11 minutes in the first half. We got the ball in the box and we wouldn't let them get it out. We kept it in and got a goal."

Commenting to myself (David B. Corbin) and to a reporter from The Courier-News, Breznitsky was allowed to kill two birds with one stone. With reference to a question about his feelings of winning five straight titles, Breznitsky replied, "Well, I think this year is very, very rewarding, not that any isn't. I don't think that many people even dreamed that we would have an opportunity to get to this stage because 13 kids graduated. It was one of the best teams without a doubt that we had last year."

"At times we had six to eight sophomores on the field. I think that was a tremendous accomplishment," said Breznitsky. "We try to pride ourselves on the fact that we have soccer players and we try to teach the game and encourage a soccer brain in making a good decision at the right opportunity."

Commenting on his use of Moser

and Ferrara, Breznitsky said, "We had Moser in the midfield at first. I scouted them (West Morris). I didn't necessarily think that we needed Todd back there. Eugene is an outstanding defender. I wanted a little more offense which Todd gives us. Todd has tremendous vision and he makes a lot of things happen out there; but, it is kind of ironic that it was Eugene who made both of the goals."

Breznitsky concluded, "On any given day on this team anybody can put it in."

The Raiders improved to 23-2-1. West Morris fell to 15-8-1.

West Morris Central	0	0	0
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### SP-Fanwood HS Sets Homecoming Date

This year's Homecoming will take place at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School on **Wednesday, November 25**. The ceremony will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the gymnasium. Activities will include performances by cheerleaders, the BSU step squad, and the marching band. Fall sports teams will be introduced and the '99 Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned. For more information, please call (908) 889-8600.

### BOYS SOCCER:

**NORTH, SECTION 2 GROUP 1 SEMIS:**  
**New Providence 5, Kennelton 0**  
 The top-seeded Pioneers pounded their way to the finals. Senior forward Tommy Doyle hammered three goals to lead the assault in New Providence on November 10.

Tristan Peterson and Chris Reich each added a goal. Nick Fuschetto, Reich and Joey Gennaro had one assist apiece for the Pioneers who boosted their record to 18-2-2. Kennelton sagged to 10-6-2.

**NORTH, SECTION 2 GROUP 4 SEMIS:**  
**Elizabeth 3, Irvington 0**  
 Daniel Sobkowicz, Camilo Betancourt and Guillermo Benvidz each scored in the second half for the Minutemen in Elizabeth on November 10. Elizabeth (15-5-1) played Columbia (19-1-2) in the finals.

Irvington	0	0	0
Elizabeth	0	3	3

**GIRLS SOCCER NORTH SECTION 2 GROUP 2 FINALS:**  
**Mendham 5, A. L. Johnson 0**  
 The seventh-ranked Mendham High School girls repelled the Crusaders in Mendham on November 12 and claimed its seventh Section 2, Group 2 title. Mendham improved to 23-2 while A. L. Johnson dropped to 16-5.

**GIRLS SOCCER NORTH SECTION 2 GROUP 3 FINALS:**  
**Cranford 2, Warren Hills 1**  
 The 20th-ranked Cougars won their first sectional crown by defeating Warren Hills, 2-1, in Cranford on November 12. Cougar Sam Morano scored nine minutes into the first half, then Devon Murray took a pass from Katie Sands and hit the net with 31:00 remaining in the game. Cranford upped its record to 19-2 while Warren Hills slipped to 11-6-6.

Warren Hills	0	1	1
Cranford	1	1	2

### Westfield Lacrosse to Hold Registration

Westfield Lacrosse Club Holding Registration for the 1999 Girls and Boys Lacrosse Season  
 The Westfield Youth Lacrosse Club is conducting registration for 3rd through 8th grade boys and girls. Boys and girls who participated in the 1998 spring season will receive their registration forms through the mail. The Club will also have flyers available at the Middle and Elementary Schools.  
 The registration fee which includes boys membership in US Lacrosse, is \$65 for the 5th through 8th grade boys and girls. For the 3rd and 4th grade boys and girls the registration fee is \$55. Registration is due by December 12 and a \$20 late registration fee will be due after December 12.  
 Boys are required to have their own helmet, mouthguard, gloves, arm pads, shoulder pads and stick. Girls will need to have a stick and mouthguard. Contact Lois Hely at 233-3960 regarding the Girls program and Ron Prunesti at 789-4252 or Skip Prybylski at 232-8390 about the Boys program.

# First-Seeded Cougars Win Shootout Over Blue Devils

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

The top-seeded Cranford High School girls soccer team had a late, tying goal in regulation, then went on to win a shootout against the Westfield girls in Cranford on November 10 in the semifinals of the Section 2, Group 3 State Championships. Despite the loss, the Blue Devils dominated offensively nearly the entire game.

In their first meeting early in the season, the Cougars had the edge offensively throughout the game; however, the young Blue Devil girls entered the sectional game with a fierce determination and had the Cougars desperately defending their den.

The first score of the game came when Blue Devil freshman Jen Hayes, from the right side, caromed a shot off the left post and the crossbar with 8:15 off the clock in the second half.

It was quite clear that the Blue Devil forwards meant business as they came right back and took two quick shots on the Cougars' goal. They were running like sprinters and beating the Cougars to the ball. Both shots were blocked by Katie Donnelly the Cougar goalie.

The Cougars broke downfield and launched a shot which sailed over the crossbar, but Blue Devils Suzanne Heinkel and Liza Yannuzzi soon sent the Cougars back-peddling to their den. In desperation, the Cougar defense began to get physical but the strategy failed to work. Andrea Constandis blasted a shot from left to right past the post, then moments later, sophomore Jen Korecky whizzed a shot over the crossbar.

On a few occasions, the Cougars had some breakaways. Blue Devil goalie Michelle Meglaughlin made a leaping save to quell one brief attack. Within seconds of Meglaughlin's save, Constandis and sophomore Kerri Anness brought the ball downfield and bounced some shots off some Cougar fullbacks.

Minutes later, Devil Donna Shaller banged a shot from right to left past

the far post. Seconds later, sophomore Taryn Wyckoff was overtly knocked down and the Blue Devils were awarded a free kick. With 11:20 remaining in regulation, the kick deflected off the hands of Donnelly and out-of-bounds.

The Cougars avoided giving up another potential goal when Donnelly dove on a loose ball four yards in front of the goal just before Blue Devil Kristen Salmund could get to it. Moments later, near the Cougar goal, Salmund and Heinkel ricocheted some shots off some Cougar defenders.

With victory nearly in their pockets, the Blue Devils suffered a brief mental lapse. A ball sailing toward the Blue Devil goal bounced near midfield. Cougar Devon Murray, who was at full gallop, beat all the Blue Devil defenders and charged toward the goal. Only Meglaughlin stood between Murray and the goal. Meglaughlin charged, but Murray looped the ball over her head and the

ball rolled over the goal line with just 1:58 remaining in regulation.

The game shifted into overtime and neither team was able to score. A shootout was to decide the outcome.

Cougar Lauren Signatella began the shootout and zipped the ball past Meglaughlin and into the right side of the net. Blue Devil Heinkel's shot was blocked. Cougar Erika Stewart's shot was blocked, then Blue Devil Salmund's shot was knocked away. The Cougars went up 2-0 when Murray ripped the right side of the net. Schaller whacked the ball into the upper left side of the net to narrow the score to 2-1.

Sue Flamini put the ultimate pressure on when she ripped a shot into the upper left side of the net to give the Cougars a 3-1 lead. The Blue Devils needed to make their next shot good to stay alive. The kick sailed over the crossbar.

Westfield	0	1	0	0	(1)	1
Cranford	0	1	0	0	(3)	2



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
**VERY CLOSE ENCOUNTERS...**Blue Devil junior Kristen Salmund, right, battles with two Cougars for possession of the ball during the semifinals of the North 2, Group 3 State Tournament on November 10 in Cranford.

## MOSER NAILS TWO, ZOTTI & FERRARA POUND 1 EACH

# Top-Seeded Raiders Hammer Parsippany Hills in Sectionals

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

Todd Moser, Eugene Ferrara and Mike Zotti provided the sparks as the top-seeded Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School boys soccer team hammered Parsippany Hills, 4-0, in the semifinals of the North 2, Group 3 State Tournament at Scotch Plains on November 11. Moser flashed in two goals while Ferrara and Zotti pounded in one apiece.

Nine minutes into the first half, Moser penetrated Viking soil and struck pay dirt from inside the box

off an assist from Jeff Fiorino. Seventeen minutes later, with 14:04 left in the half, Zotti zinged in the second Raider goal. Andrew Babicz got the assist.

The game got a little heated and Zotti was flagrantly taken out in the box by a Viking defender. Moser got the penalty kick and whizzed the ball into the net with five minutes remaining to comfortably up the lead to 3-0.

In the second half, the Raiders went right to work putting the Vikings on the defensive. Still having a little bad blood, a few Vikings and

Zotti exchanged some extra-curricular banging and elbowing. Yellow cards flew.

Head Coach Tom Breznitsky had Ferrara and Moser switch positions with 27:00 left in the game. Raider Tafari Laing brought the ball down the right side and passed to Ferrara who then headed the ball into the head of a Viking defender.

The combination of Laing to Ferrara hooked up again with 22:00 left and the result was the ball sailing just over the crossbar. One minute later, Ferrara charged down the center and launched a shot from about 17-yards out. The Viking goalie made a diving save to prevent further scoring.

With 15:57 remaining, Zotti passed the ball from the right toward the center. The Viking goalie came flying out to intercept the ball, but Ferrara came from out of nowhere, beating the goalie to the ball, and buzzed the ball into the net for the fourth score.

The Raiders used a different combination to assault the Vikings' goal in the following five minutes. Dave Sigmon banged a corner kick from the left side to Mike Franzone who had a minor collision with the goalie as he headed the ball. The goalie smothered the rebound. Later, from 22-yards out, Franzone zipped a shot over the crossbar.

In the final ten minutes, Raider goalie Brad Lowyns got a rest and was replaced by sophomore Rob Bugg. With less than two minutes remaining, the Vikings attacked the Raiders' sacred turf. One shot rolled just to the left of the goal and other shots were saved by Bugg. Time ran out and Bugg had preserved the shutout.

"We did well. We came out and wanted to capitalize early if we could again," said Breznitsky. "Teams coming in against the number one seed, knowing our reputation. You can't allow them to stay in the game like the other Parsippany team did."

Breznitsky commented on his use of Moser. "We played him in midfield because from what I saw, I thought that we would be all right with Eugene. Eugene is a quality sweeper."

On his thoughts for the upcoming sectional finals game with either Cranford or West Morris (winner was not known at time of interview), Breznitsky mused, "I'm not sure how I will play my team. It depends on who wins."

If Cranford would win the game, Breznitsky cautioned, "It's tough to beat a team three times. We will just have to wait and see."

Breznitsky concluded, "We have won nine sectional championships. Hopefully, we will make it ten."

The Raiders elevated their record to 22-2-1 while Parsippany Hills lowered to 15-7-1.



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**GETTING THE DROP ON THE BALL...**Raider Eugene Ferrara, right, outflanks a Parsippany Hills player and gets to the ball first during the semifinals of the Section 2, Group 3 game. See additional picture on page 17.

### A. L. Johnson Tops Jefferson, 2-0

The Crusaders of Clark girls soccer team eliminated Jefferson High School in the semifinals of the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 playoffs in Clark on November 10. Senior Erin Black scored both goals for the Crusaders. In the first half, Black ripped the upper left side of the net, then in the second half, she vibrated the upper right corner of the net.

Jefferson	0	0	0
A. L. Johnson	1	1	2

### Mendham Halts Vikings in Semis

The seventh-ranked Lady Minutemen from Mendham halted the 11th-ranked Union Catholic girls soccer team, 2-1, in the semifinals of the North 2, Group 2 State Tournament at Mendham on November 10.

Kate Neupert took a pass from Casey McCann and punched it into the net with 18:39 remaining in the first half to give the Lady Minuteman a 1-0 lead. Viking Erica Schweikert tied the score with 11:58 left in the half.

Neupert slanted a shot toward the Viking goal. Goalie Lisa Henderson knocked the ball away, but Lady Minuteman Lauren Vellela came to the ball and blasted it into the net with 3:28 left of the half.

Despite the score, the Vikings put on an offensive blitz throughout the game and forced Lady Minuteman goalie Sarah Herske to make 17 stops. Union Catholic slipped to 19-3 while Mendham improved to 22-2.

Union Catholic	1	0	1
Mendham	2	0	2

Parsippany Hills	0	0	0
Sc Plains-Fanwood	3	1	4



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
**KEEPING WARM...**Several Raider fans have definitely decided to keep warm while watching the Raiders defeat the Wolffpack in the Section 2, Group 3 finals.

**WESTFIELD SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

**Division I and II Girls Traveling Team Tryout Dates for Spring '99 Season**

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and

**November 28th - 1p.m. - Sycamore Field**

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 Neil Hutchinson - VP of Girls Travel, 778 Knollwood Terrace  
 Phone: 233-4482 - Box 2
- 4) Rainouts:** A message will be left on the WSA Telephone Message Center with directions as to the cancellation of the tryouts, alternate field locations or changes in time. The WSA Message Center can be accessed by dialing 233-4482. Cancellations are on Box 1.

**For information on Boys Division I and II Spring Travel 1999, which will be Sunday games only, please contact Bob Lynes at 233-4482 Box 3.**

JONES SCOOTs FOR 63-YARD TD; RUSHES 137 YDS

# Nutley Gets the Drop; Rolls Over Raiders in Consolation

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

Disheartened by the double overtime loss to Newark East Side on November 7, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood (SP-F) High School football team was unable to get on the right track as Nutley High School got an early drop on them and rolled to a 35-6 victory in Scotch Plains on November 14. Despite all of the misfortune, junior Nathan Jones did some rolling of his own, rushing for 137 yards which included a 63-yard touchdown run.

The Nutley Raiders received the kickoff on the nine and immediately re-

the kickoff on the 18 and returned it to the 42. Unfortunately, the Raiders were unable to mount an offensive and kicker Seidel Harris' punt was downed at the Nutley 42.

The Raiders got the ball back at their own 37 but failed to make any significant advancements. Franzone's punt soared toward the Nutley receiver who signaled for a fair catch at the 24. Oddly, he attempted to run but was immediately tackled. Strangely, no official seemed to recognize the fair catch signal which would have been a penalty against Nutley under those circumstances.

and Nutley's lead increased to 21-0. McCarthy received the kickoff at the 18 and returned it 25 yards to the 43. After a four-yard loss, a draw play to Jones resulted in a 13-yard gain to the Nutley 48. Once again, the Raider drive stalled. Nutley took over.

Nutley rolled to the Raider 43. From there, Murray handed off right to Dan Greco who slanted in for the touchdown with 3:01 left in the half. The extra point was good.

McDaniel took the kickoff on the 24 and returned it to the 33. Franzone injured his knee and sophomore quarterback Brian Conner replaced him. On first down, Jones slashed for four yards to the 37. On the next play, Conner dropped back but handed off to Jones for an inside counter play. Jones accelerated through the middle then flew down the right side 63 yards for the touchdown with 1:53 left in the half. The extra point failed and the 28-6 score held until the second half.

Both Raider defenses prevailed in the second half and the only score came when Nutley quarterback Murray completed a 12-yard touchdown pass to Bob O'Connor in the third quarter. Greco's extra point upped the score to 35-6.

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"We had scouting reports but we weren't ready to step up," added Ciccotelli. "We never quite recovered from our loss to East Side."



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
NOW THIS IS A GANG TACKLE...Several Raider defensemen crush a Nutley halfback. The Raider defense has been tough in the trenches all season.

turned it to the SP-F Raider 42. Despite fine tackles from Jones, Ron Jenerette and Dave Herrmann, Nutley pushed to the two for a first down. Courageous tackling by Scott Paterson and Herrmann put Nutley in a fourth-and-goal situation at the one. Quarterback Eric Murray kept right and plunged into the endzone with 7:30 left in the first quarter. The extra point was good and Nutley took a 7-0 lead.

Raider La'Marr McDaniel received the kickoff on the 19 and returned it to the 37. On first down quarterback Joe Franzone's pass to Blair Woodward bounced incomplete, then Jones was stopped for no gain. A procedure penalty against the Raiders moved the ball back to the 31, then Franzone's pass was intercepted at the 45 and returned to the 24. A quarterback keeper moved the ball to the 19. Next, a little pass to the left was caught by Anthony LaStella who then dashed to the endzone untouched with 5:55 left in the quarter. Another good kick made the score 14-0.

Raider Matt McCarthy received

Fine tackling from McDaniel, Paterson and Jones cracked Nutley on three downs and forced them to punt. The punt rolled out at the Raider 37. A quick pass from Franzone to Woodward gave the Raiders a first down at the 47. Nutley's defense was a tough nut to crack and the Raiders had to punt. Franzone's punt was received at the 17 and stayed there when Paterson made a crushing tackle.

Several missed tackles by the Raiders and a 42-yard pass over the middle to Bob Jones resulted in another Nutley touchdown with 6:35 remaining in the half. The kick split the uprights

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Nutley	14	14	7	0	35
Sc Plains-Fanwood	0	6	0	0	6

**Sports Editor's Note:**  
The information about the 1977 sectional final game between Westfield and Berringer was found in 100 Years of Blue Devil Football written by former Westfield High School graduate and assistant swimming coach Bruce Johnson. In that game, Blue Devil greats **Butch Woolfolk** and **Owen Brand** each scored two touchdowns. In 1977, the Blue Devils went 11-0, outscored their opponents, 413-32, and were selected as the **number one** high school team in New Jersey.

## Blue Devil Girls Complete Fine Year in Field Hockey

By SARABURNETT  
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Bringing the season to a close, the top-seeded Westfield High School Blue Devil field hockey team fell, 2-1, to fourth-seeded Mt. Olive in the semifinal round of the NJSIAA North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 tournament on November 10, bringing their final record to 12-4-5.

The Blue Devils took the lead 11 minutes into the first half when Kelsey III netted an unassisted goal in the 11th minute. Four minutes later, however, Jen Byrne scored for Mt. Olive to tie the game up at 1-1.

Even though the Blue Devils dominated the game, they were unable to capitalize on their scoring opportunities. The tie remained intact until Mt Olive flicked in the winning goal with 2:35 remaining.

Coach Margaret McFadden said, "I thought we played well in the game. We controlled the ball well and maintained possession, but once we got into the seven vs. seven, we just didn't play as well against Mt. Olive."

The Blue Devils' successful season was due to the combined efforts of forwards III, Allison Cook, Allison Rosenthal, Christine Thompson, Megan Pollock, Kristen Leonardis,

Valerie Wicks, Jessica Wycoff and Sara Finstein. Halfbacks Liz McKeon, Stephanie Flynn and Paige Corbett provided steady midfield support throughout the season.

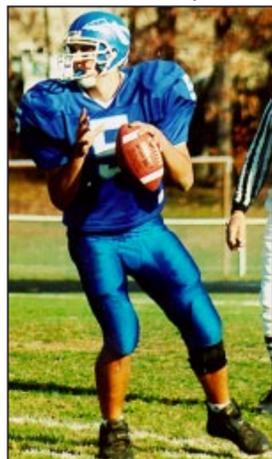
Defenders Amanda Pirozzi, Meghan McMahon, Nicole Bentivegna, Sara Burnett, Lauren Mattes and Laura Bonavita shielded the Blue Devil net while goalie Jennifer Woodbury garnered eleven shutouts this season.

Tri-Captain Rosenthal said, "I think we had a great season even though we didn't win states. We fulfilled our goal to go farther than last year's team and hopefully this will be a building block for next year's team."

Among the achievements for the Blue Devils was an appearance in the Union County Tournament finals for the first time since 1992 and a showing in the semifinal round of the state sectional tournament.

Commenting on the season McFadden said, "Our record improved from last year and we made it to a further round in the states. I'm disappointed in not winning a championship, but overall the team did outstanding."

Mt. Olive	1	0	1	2
Westfield	1	0	0	2



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Quarterback Joe Franzone

### Football Scores:

<b>NORTH 2, GROUP 3:</b>					
Parsippany Hills 23, Orange 21	Frank Bocchino's 29-yard field goal with eight second remaining won it for Parsippany Hills.				
Orange	0	0	7	14	21
Par. Hills (9-0)	7	7	6	3	23
<b>NORTH 2, GROUP 3:</b>					
Parsippany 30, Shabazz 23	Anthony Smith scored on a 10-yard run with five seconds left in the game. Smith rushed for 155 yards.				
Shabazz (6-3)	8	0	15	0	23
Parsippany (8-1)	3	13	0	14	30
<b>NORTH 2, GROUP 1:</b>					
New Providence 35, Kennelton 14	The Pioneers came from behind, had 360 yards total offense and scored four rushing touchdowns and one passing touchdown.				
Kennelton (6-3)	7	7	0	0	14
New Prov. (8-1)	7	0	21	7	35
<b>NORTH 2, GROUP 4:</b>					
Plainfield 49, West Orange 0	The Cardinals soared with two touchdowns apiece by Anthony Davis and Aaron Morton.				
W. Orange (5-5)	0	0	0	0	0
Plainfield (9-0)	14	14	14	7	49
<b>Elizabeth 28, Morris Knolls 21</b>					
Quasim Sessoms scored four touchdowns for the Minutemen in Elizabeth.					
Morris Knolls (5-4)	7	0	7	7	21
Elizabeth (7-2)	0	7	21	0	28
<b>Randolph 20, Union 13</b>					
Nick Javas and Nygiem Calhoun each had a touchdown but the Farmers were unable to come up with enough turf.					
Randolph (5-4)	0	7	7	6	20
Union (6-3)	7	0	0	6	13



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
NOW THIS IS WHAT YOU CALL A CROWD!...A packed group of Blue Devils express their appreciation for the wonderful performance of the Westfield High School football team against West Morris Central in the Section 2, Group 3 game. The Blue Devils nearly made the Wolfpack an endangered species by defeating them, 30-6.

## Blue Devils Endanger a Species; Destroy the Wolfpack, 30-6

flew 33 yards down the left side to the Wolfpack 43. On the first offensive play, Doerr rolled to his right and connected with Jason Merritt at the 15. Merritt tucked the ball and zoomed in for the touchdown with :43 left in the third quarter. Doerr's extra point made the score 23-0.

Once again, the Wolfpack moved the ball into Blue Devil territory. With the ball at the 31, Kyle Martinowich and Griffiths crunched the quarterback for two successive losses, placing the ball at the 45. Two plays later, the Blue Devils took over at the 38.

After the Wolfpack took over offensively, Doerr intercepted Cammarata's pass at the Wolfpack 41 and ran to the 16 where he was knocked out-of-bounds. A facemask penalty on that play, placed the ball at

## Westfield Athletic Hall of Fame Dinner Notice

Tickets are on sale for the Westfield Athletic Hall of Fame's third induction ceremony dinner that will be held on Monday night, November 23, at the Westwood in Garwood. This prestigious event will be launched with the cocktail hour at 6 p.m. The induction ceremony and dinner will begin at 7 p.m. The members of this year's class all excelled during their careers at Westfield High.

**The inductees are:**

1. Joe Monninger, an All-State football quarterback and star baseball player.
2. Kim Schmidt Selert, the school's only state tournament singles tennis champion.
3. John Lay, an outstanding coach who later served as the school's athletic director.
4. John Chironna, a three-sport star who was a fine high school coach at Morristown.

5. Pete Braun, a great wrestler and football player.

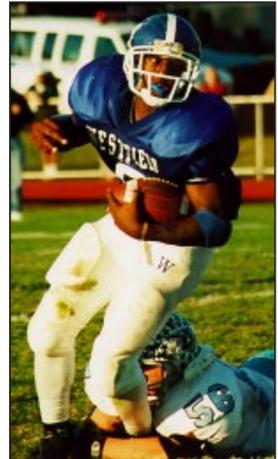
6. Nancy Kasko Jogis, an All-State softball player and also starred in basketball and field hockey.

7. Rick McGinley, an outstanding football player.

8. Dave Perkowski, state champion and Olympic swimmer.

9. Steve Schmidt, state champion swimmer.

Finally, the state champion Westfield boys' swim team of the mid 1960s. Tickets are \$30 each and are on sale at the following locations in Westfield: Westfield High School athletic office on Dorian Road, Athletic Balance Sporting Goods on South Avenue, Taylor & Love Realty on South Avenue, Cosenza State Farm Insurance on Elm Street, and CJ's Extra Innings on Broad Street.



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times  
Blue Devil Lamont Turner

the eight. Turner crashed to the five, Kevin McCormack slashed to the one, then, with 4:30 remaining, Lee flew in for the touchdown to make the score 29-0. The extra point upped the score to 30-0.

Being merciful and not desiring to make the Wolfpack extinct, the Blue Devils rested their first team. The Wolfpack received the kickoff at the five and moved it to the 31. Running back Mike Lublaniecki darted 32 yards to the Blue Devil 37, then Tom Champion sliced to the 28. After getting a first down at the 27, Cammarata completed to Jim McCrea at the six, then, with only :14 left, Cammarata hit Lublaniecki at the goal for the Wolfpack's only score.

"I was especially pleased because we played great defense," emphasized Blue Devil Head Coach Ed Tranchina. "Our defense set up two touchdowns, the sack by Gabe (Perez) and the interception by Brandon (Doerr)."

Tranchina concluded, "As I have said before, defense and the kicking game wins the game."

Westfield will be hosted by Parsippany Hills on November 21.

W. Morris Cen	0	0	0	6
Westfield	0	13	10	7



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times  
READY FOR HALL OF FAME NIGHT...Former Westfield High School Athletic Director, Hall of Fame inductee and trustee Gary Kehler, left, stands with future inductee Kim Schmidt Selert, center, and trustee Roger Love. Schmidt Selert was the only Westfield High School girls tennis player to win two New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association titles. Nine former athletes will be inducted during the Hall of Fame Dinner to be held at the Westwood in Garwood on November 23. Tickets are available for the marvelous event.

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**November Scholar Athlete**

**Westfield High School**

**BRANDON DOERR...Senior Tri-Captain of the (8-1) football team which qualified for the sectional playoff for the first time since 1981. Prior to November, Doerr had passed for 11 touchdowns and has totaled 748 yards passing. He has been an outstanding team leader and played an instrumental role in the 29-10 trouncing of 8th-ranked Union High School. As an outside linebacker, Doerr has 18 solo tackles prior to November. Brandon has been a fine student in excellent academic standing. The Scholar-Athlete of the Month was created by The Westfield Leader, voted on by the Optimist Club of Westfield and supported by the listed sponsors.**

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RELAXED BLUE DEVILS...Members of the fabulous Westfield High School gymnastics team relax prior to a major gymnastics meet. The Blue Devil girls broke records on several occasions this year.

### Blue Devil Gymnasts Finish Fourth in State Tournament

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below fifth in that event at the sectionals, the rules state that she can not qualify for placement," explained Kovac.

All of the participants were able to use the highly advantageous spring mats which most of the South Jersey schools have been using for years. Unfortunately, most of the North Jersey schools have not been afforded the luxury of using them.

"She did a double back flip on the floor," said Kovac of Hogan's floor routine. "It was gorgeous! She had much more amplitude."

Hogan also had a 9.2 on the vault using her impressive Tsukahara with a pike landing. On the beam, she hit her routine well and scored an 8.65 and on the uneven bars, she scored an 8.95.

"It was by far her best meet of the season," Kovac added.

Jessica Caravello had a fine all

around score of 35.075 with scores of 9.05 on the floor, 8.75 on the uneven bars, 8.85 in the vault and an 8.425 on the balance beam.

"I am very pleased. The girls accounted for themselves very, very well this year," concluded Kovac.

- TOP 10 SCHOOLS: 1. Toms River North 112.25, 2. St. Rose 110.125, 3. Holmdel 109.9, 4. Westfield 108.95, 5. Somerville 108.2, 6. Red Bank Catholic 106.975, 7. Marlboro 105.7, 8. Shawnee 104.775, 9. Ridgewood 104.325, 10. East Brunswick 103.4

### Demarest Defeats Devil Vballers

The Westfield High School girls volleyball team gave second-ranked Demarest a run for their money in the first round of the Group 3 state tournament in Demarest on November 12. Unfortunately for the Blue Devils, ace Kelly Martens came on strong to notch 13 kills, three aces and a block to rally Demarest to a 16-14, 15-5, victory.

At one time, the Blue Devils held a 9-0 lead in the first game and got one ace each from Melanie Paige and Breigh Ann Menza. During that run, Monique Brendel and Sandy Rhein had two kills each. Brendel finished with five kills. Westfield lowered to 11-10 while Demarest boosted its record to 18-5.

### Westfield PAL 'C' Stumbles; Falls in Perth Amboy, 13-7

Balmy temperatures and bright sunshine followed the Westfield PAL "C" team to Perth Amboy, but despite gritty offensive and defensive performances they were unable to defeat the pesky Red Raiders.

The Blue Devils offensive unit came on strong led by Terron Rogers, Charles Johnson, John Boyd and Tommy DelDucca. Seven plays later, the Blue Devils were forced to punt. Matt Perrilli booted the ball downfield. Key defensive plays by Pierce Gaynor and Peter Curiale kept the Red Raiders off the board in their first series of downs. The deadlock was short-lived, however, when

### Westfield PAL 'B' Hammers PAL Red Raiders, 20-0

Westfield's PAL "B" team stretched its unbeaten season by rolling over Perth Amboy, 20-0, nullifying the Red Raider's home field advantage.

Despite gritty offensive performances by Jan Coccoziello, Eric Hayes and Richard Brautigam, the Blue Devils did not score until the end of the first quarter when Kirt Giresi broke loose for a 46-yard touchdown run courtesy of key blocks and tackles by Adam Trzesniewski, David Hewit, Brian Bigelow, Brandon Pantano and Montell Glasco. The point after touchdown failed, but the Blue Devils were on the board 6-0.

Two plays later, the suffocating Westfield defensive unit forced a Red Raider fumble which was recovered

by Brad Trzesniewski. Coccoziello lined Tommy Roche in his sights and fired for the touchdown. Andrew Garrison's kick was good and the Blue Devils increased their lead to 13-0.

Perth Amboy tried in vain but were unable to penetrate the Westfield line anchored by Terrance Bryant. Blue Devils Marc Dowling and Keith Zemsky ground out Blue Devil gains, but the clock ran out before they could capitalize. The halftime score stood 13-0.

In the first defensive series of the second half, Blue Devils Michael O'Connor and Zemsky teamed up to halt the Red Raiders in their tracks. So successful were the blue linemen that they forced another Perth Amboy fumble which Dowling scooped up. Unable to turn the recovery to their advantage despite the efforts of Alex Regenstein and Zemsky, the Blue Devils punted. Key plays by Joe Wisniewski, Chris Witkowski, Tyshon Blackmon, and Neil Kroncke held the Red Raiders at bay.

Westfield came on strong in the final quarter. In their first possession, Westfield blockers Mark Harbaugh, Wisniewski and Witkowski enabled Coccoziello to fire a touchdown bomb to Giresi. Garrison's kick brought the Blue Devils score to 20.

As a last gasp, Perth Amboy took possession at the 35-yard line. Sherif Kamel, Andrew Schafer and Zemsky were instrumental in halting their progress. The clock ran down and Westfield won, 20-0.

Westfield	6	7	0	7	20
Perth Amboy	0	0	0	0	0



ALEXIS ANZELONE...Has really helped the Blue Devil girls step up the pace and set the standard.

### Raider Boys Place 15th in X-C Meet

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood boys cross country team placed 15th with 346 points in the Group 3 State Meet at Holmdel on November 14. The Westfield High School boys placed 16th with 351 points. Middletown South won with a total of 103 and Morristown placed second at 114.

Cranford High School runner Tim Styler took top honors with a time of 16:10 as the Cougars placed eighth with a total of 208.

### Devil Girls Place Sixth in X-C Meet

The Westfield High School girls cross country team placed sixth with 223 points in the Group 3 State Championships held in Holmdel on November 14. Middletown South won with a total of 48, North Hunterdon placed second at 65 and Ocean Township came in third at 118.

### POSTERS

The Westfield Leader and The Times have the capabilities of making large color posters (24x18 and smaller) of sports photos or any photos you may wish to be reproduced. Prices are reasonable. Call David Corbin at (908) 232-4407 or e-mail Dave for information at dave@goleader.com.

### SP-F Express Tops Bridgewater, 2-1

The SP-F U-11 Express continued their quest for a flight championship with a 2-1 victory over Bridgewater last on November 15. The Express struck early when Mark Ciccura launched a corner kick across the front of the goal and Joseph Jacobi, on a designed play, charged in and converted.

Bridgewater never seriously threatened for the rest of the half against Scotch Plains-Fanwood's smothering defense, but the lead remained a precarious single goal until midway in the second half when Ciccura led Ryan Cerriek on a breakthrough down the middle. The Bridgewater goalie came out to challenge, but Cerriek powered it through his outstretched arms for the goal.

Bridgewater tacked on a goal with seconds left to play to close the gap to 2-1. Jack Davis and Brian Halpin continued to work well together in pressing the left side, and Clayton Balch and Sean Young turned in strong performances at center half-back and sweeper, respectively.

SP-F Express	1	1	2
Bridgewater	0	1	1

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-14271-97. CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. RICARDO URIARTE AND GARCIELA URIARTE, HIS WIFE; NELSON URIARTE, ET ALS, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$133,932.22. PROPERTY TO BE SOLD IS LOCATED IN: City of Elizabeth, County of Union, in the State of New Jersey.

PREMISES COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 555-561 Bond Street, TAX LOT NO. 1, BLOCK NO. 880, APPROXIMATE DIMENSIONS: 67.80 x 100. NEAREST CROSS STREET: SIXTH STREET.

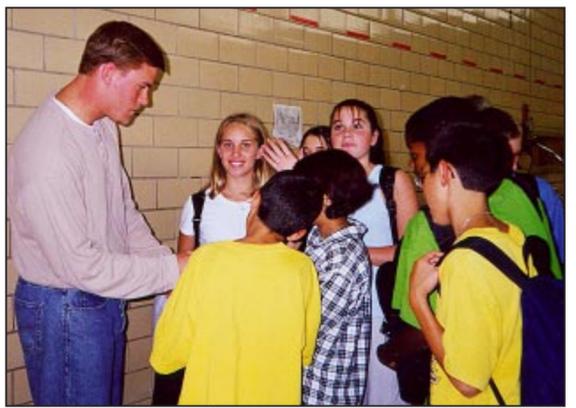
A FULL LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PREMISES CAN BE FOUND IN THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF OF UNION COUNTY.

There is due approximately the sum of \$137,456.63 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

PARKER, MCCAY & CRISCUOLO (CHERRY HILL), Attorney Suite 500 1701 Route 70 East P.O. Box 1806 Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034 CH-754081 (WL) 4 T - 11/5, 11/12, 11/19 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$183.60



FOOTBALL STAR...New York Jets tight end No. 82, Blake Spence, recently addressed students at Edison Intermediate School in Westfield about commitment to academics. He encouraged students to take their work seriously, set high goals, and listen to their teachers. The football star was sponsored by the Star Ledger program, "Newspapers in Education," which will provide newspapers for classroom use and lessons, as well as workshops for staff members.

### Westfield PAL 'D' Punishes Perth Amboy PAL, 19-7

The Westfield Police Athletic League's "D" football team continued to play like champions by winning their fourth in a row and improving their record to 6-2 with an awesome 19-7 victory over Perth Amboy.

Westfield's offense flew out of the gate with an impressive eight-play scoring drive. Quarterback Mark Boyd led the way with a bootleg right for a 27-yard gain, then three plays later, a 34-yard bootleg left for the touchdown. Andrew Petrosic, Scott Wailer, J. T. Sheehan and Sean Sullivan put on a blocking clinic as they dominated the line of scrimmage. The failed extra point attempt kept the score at 6-0.

The Blue Devil defense responded to the challenge, holding the Red Raiders' to one series. Later, the Red Raiders tested Westfield's will with a 13-play marathon that resulted in a 60-yard drive without a score.

Matt Shaffer led the way with three tackles including one that saved a touchdown. Richard Delaney, Max Listinsky, Will Uhr and Patrick Stanley contained the potent Perth Amboy offense by refusing to give up the big play. Mike McCrea and Matt Ince finished off the threat by making the clutch tackles on third and fourth down, and goal to go.

Westfield's stand out running back Mike Venezia rubbed salt in Perth Amboy's wound by making them pay in a hurry for their offensive failure. On the third play, after it appeared

that he had been gang tackled, Venezia broke free and sprinted for a 59-yard touchdown. The extra point attempt failed and the lead increased to 12-0.

The Red Raiders started the second half with total frustration. Ryan Salmon and Chris Sailors stuffed the first two run attempts and Sean Mack, John Dugan, Scott Dyer and Nicholas Delpeppo finished the job by forcing four and out. Perth Amboy's second possession was no more successful at solving the Blue Devil defensive riddle thanks to stand out tackles by Ryan Brand and Santo Nardi.

When the Westfield offense took the field Venezia once again had the Red Raider coaching staff reaching for the Roloids. Venezia broke off an unbelievable 65-yard touchdown run through a huge hole created by Pat Hughes, Petrosic and Wailer. Boyd added the extra point with a sweep to his right for a 19-0 lead.

Perth Amboy finally managed a quick score to pull back to 19-7, but the clock was becoming Westfield's best friend. The offense led by the rushing of Joey Simone, John Gagliano, Thomas Moore and William Harbaugh came through with critical first downs while Charlie Read and Arrend Santiago made the clutch defensive tackles as Perth Amboy helplessly watched the precious seconds tick off the clock to ice the Blue Devil victory.

Westfield D	6	6	7	0	19
Red Raiders	0	0	0	7	7

### Cranford Destroyers Blitz S P-F U-11 Jazz Girls, 4-2

Despite a stirring second-half comeback, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Jazz girls U-11 soccer team suffered a 4-2 loss against the Cranford Destroyers at Unami Park last on November 15.

Trailing 2-0 at halftime, the Jazz finally got in tune as they staged a ferocious counterattack against the Destroyers. Becca McGuire got things going as she stole a ball along the sideline and sent a pass up the left wing to Gaby Falco, who dodged a defender and darted up the left side until she found Lauren Mains with a perfect pass. Mains used teammate Loni Kaye as a screen and fired a wicked shot that zipped by the Cranford goalie.

Minutes later, Mains intercepted a goal kick by Cranford and nailed goal number two for the Jazz.

It appeared the Jazz were going to

break into the lead as Gaby Falco broke ahead of the field on the left side and passed to Shannon Hauser directly in front of the goal, but the alert Destroyer goalkeeper popped out to cut down the angle and Hauser's shot went just wide.

Earlier in the game, the Jazz had missed on another scoring opportunity when Hallie Mintz stole a ball in the middle of the field and found Lauren Hercl with a pass. Hercl swooped in on goal and booted a high shoot that was somehow knocked away by the Cranford goalie. Then a subsequent scramble in front of the goal produced a huge cloud of dust but no goal for the Jazz.

Late in the game, the Destroyers finally broke down the Jazz defenders, and despite two solid saves by Maddie Wasser, Cranford scored two goals and sealed the victory.

Jazz Destroyers	0	2	2	4
	2	2	2	6

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-000175-96. BUSINESS LOAN CENTER, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. JULIO CESAR CHAVEZ, INDIVIDUALLY AND TRADING AS NELDON AUTO BODY, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JUNE 9, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$655,647.03. Property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as: 240-246 Union Street and 241-243 Harrison Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07207. Tax Lot Nos. 415, 1706 and 1708, in Block No. 11.

Dimensions: (approximately) 106 feet wide by 168 feet long; and 37 feet wide by 85 feet long.

Nearest cross street: Situate on the western side of Union Street 188, 18 feet from the intersection with the northerly side of Crane Street.

There is due approximately the sum of \$672,410.08 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

AMY ALKOFF CHASIN, Attorney Suite 102 991 U.S. Highway 22 West Bridgewater, New Jersey 08807 CH-754102 (WL) 4 T - 11/19, 11/26, 12/3 & 12/10/98 Fee: \$181.56

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-4803-98. TRANS FINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, PLAINTIFF vs. EDDY DEJESUS; JANICE PEMBERTON, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 9TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$110,952.63. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH in the County of UNION, and the State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 626 FULTON STREET, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07206. Tax Lot No. 545 in Block No. 7.

Dimensions of the Lot are (Approximately) 100.00 feet wide by 25.00 feet long.

Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the SOUTHWESTERLY side of FULTON STREET, 325.00 feet from the NORTHWESTERLY side of 6TH STREET.

There is due approximately the sum of \$113,926.07 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

SHAPIRO AND KREISMAN, Attorney Suite J 406 Lippincott Drive Marlton, New Jersey 08053 CH-754093 (WL) 4 T - 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$171.36

**THANKSGIVING**  
**\*\* DEADLINE \*\***  
Sports that take place during the week MUST be submitted by FRIDAY, 4 P.M. Weekend sports will be accepted up till 9 A.M. on Monday. Articles must be typed, double spaced, upper and lower case and no longer than 1-1/2 pages.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-3330-96. AMERICAN SAVINGS BANK, F.A. PLAINTIFF vs. CONSTANTINOS KYPRIANOU; DEBRA KYPRIANOU, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED OCTOBER 23, 1996, FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$144,006.59. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH in the County of UNION, and the State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 733 NEWARK AVENUE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07061.

Tax Lot No. 841 in Block No. 11. There is due approximately the sum of \$148,851.56 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, Attorney Suite J 406 Lippincott Drive Marlton, New Jersey 08053 CH-752870 (WL) 4 T - 11/5, 11/12, 11/19 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$155.04

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-66-98. FIRST UNION MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. JOSEPH R. SAINT-HUBERT, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 9TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$141,181.99. Property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.

Premises commonly known as 1038 Anna Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey. BEING KNOWN AS Lot No. 8, Block No. 160 on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth.

Dimensions: (approximately) 115.00 feet x 25.00 feet. Nearest Cross Street: Catherine Street.

There is due approximately the sum of \$144,914.65 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

FEDERMAN AND PHELAN, Attorney Suite 505 Sentry Office Plaza 216 Haddon Avenue Westmont, New Jersey 08108 CH-754098 (WL) 4 T - 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$167.28

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### BOROUGH OF FANWOOD NOTICE OF AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BY THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

RESOLUTION 98-11-150 CONTRACTOR: Mark Alan Hewitt, Architect, 104 Mine Brook Road, Bernardsville, New Jersey 07924.

NATURE OF SERVICE: Architectural services for the Fanwood Carriage House. DURATION: For a period ending no later than January 31, 1998.

AMOUNT: Not to Exceed \$5,825.00. A copy of the Resolution and Contract relating to the services are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk.

1 T - 11/19/98, The Times Fee: \$16.83

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-8453-98. CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. MIGUEL A. VARGAS, ET ALS, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public vendue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$156,035.19. MUNICIPALITY: City of Elizabeth. COUNTY AND STATE: Union County, State of New Jersey.

STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 713-715 Floral Avenue. TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBERS: LOT 700 I/Ka 700 W10, BLOCK 10.

DIMENSIONS: 100 feet x 40 feet x 100 feet x 40 feet. NEAREST CROSS STREET: Approximately 127.24 feet from Springfield Road.

There is due approximately the sum of \$160,143.88 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

ZEICHNER, ELLMAN & KRAUSE, Attorney One Gateway Center Newark, New Jersey 07102 CH-754110 (WL) 4 T - 11/19, 11/26, 12/3 & 12/10/98 Fee: \$165.24

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-14271-97. CITICORP MORTGAGE, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. RICARDO URIARTE AND GARCIELA URIARTE, HIS WIFE; NELSON URIARTE, ET ALS, DEFENDANT. CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

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The judgment amount is \$167,174.26. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07206, County of UNION and State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 38.5 CEDAR AVENUE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07206. Tax Lot No. 136A1 in Block No. 6.

Dimension of Lot: Approximately 30.43 feet wide by 100.00 feet long. Nearest Cross Street: South Elmora Avenue.

Situate at a point on the southerly sideline of Cedar Avenue distance approximately 65.0 feet easterly from its intersection with the easterly sideline of South Elmora Avenue.

There is due approximately the sum of \$171,560.21 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF

FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, Attorney Suite 201 7 Century Drive Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 CH-754094 (WL) 4 T - 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$189.72

## SP-F U-9 Strikers Tie Westfield Vipers, 2-2

The rematch between the SP-F Strikers and the Westfield Vipers lived up to expectations with both teams playing all out. It didn't take long for things to happen with end-to-end runs from each team.

Striker defenders Ryan Krueger and Tommy Sutter repelled the first waves of the Vipers' attacks. However, Westfield was persistent and drew a foul in the Strikers' box for a penalty kick. The Viper forward placed a perfect kick a couple of inches off the ground inside the left goal post to give Westfield a 1-0 lead.

The Strikers worked hard in the second quarter with midfielders Taylor Molinaro, Tyler Stanek and Timmy Stuart playing the ball into Westfield's half of the field.

During the third quarter, neither the Strikers or the Vipers let down. The action was furious. Striker midfielder Timmy Leischner drove a blistering shot from the top of Westfield's box just wide of the right goal post for a near miss. The Strikers defense had little rest from the strong Westfield forwards. Striker defenders Daniel LiVolsi and Brandon Reddington were ready for the challenge tackling and clearing the ball from the midfield into Westfield's back third of the field.

The game grew even more intense with the Strikers down by one goal in the fourth quarter. The Strikers continued to press and capitalized on an indirect kick in the Westfield back third when Striker forward Michael DeVizio struck a beautiful ball from the right side to the left side of the Westfield goal box at the six-yard mark for midfielder Jeff Stuart to beat the Viper goalkeeper making the match even at 1-1.

The Vipers weren't phased by the Strikers' goal and fought back with even greater determination. Midway through the fourth quarter deep in the Striker's end, the Viper's crossed the ball from the right side to the left in front of the Strikers' goal to their forward, who finished the play putting Westfield ahead, 2-1.

With time running out the Strikers didn't loose heart and made the big play. Striker midfielder Robby Cunningham served a long through ball to forward Eddie Kahn who raced between the Westfield defenders to beat the oncoming Viper goalkeeper to the ball. Kahn clipped the ball over the keepers head and into the goal to tie the game, 2-2.

The final two minutes of the game went scoreless and the score remained the same.



RACING FOR THE BALL...SPF U-9 Striker Daniel LiVolsi, front, races for the soccer ball during a very competitive game.

## Killer Bees Clinch Crown; Wreck U-12 Firebirds 1-0

The Westfield Killer Bees U-12 girls traveling soccer team wrecked their nemesis the Hillsborough Firebirds, 1-0, on November 15. In four previous meetings the Bees had failed to score a single goal; however, from the first whistle the Bees mounted a strong offensive attack.

The Bees moved quickly to reach most balls first and they switched fields to keep the Firebirds' defense off balance. On the left, halfback Jenna Federgreen and wing Stephanie Bridgeman, the best left side offense in the league, displayed their talents by consistently beating the Firebirds defenders with quick moves, solid forward passes and well-played back passes. On the right, halfback Lauren Purdy and wing Caroline Cariste used quick turns and passes up the sidelines to reach the 18 yard box.

From both sides, the wings sent many crosses into the goal area. Center forward Melissa Rosen was well positioned for the crosses, but as luck would have it, her shots were stopped by the keeper. At center half, and later at sweeper, Gio Palatucci used excellent positioning to quickly reach and control nearly every ball in the midfield and then pass it to the forwards.

The Killer Bees exceptional defense, fullbacks Emily MacNeil, Marykate Maher, Sarah Hansen, Amanda Dickson and Justine Palme, efficiently turned Hillsborough's offensive efforts back into Westfield offensive plays. Of special note was Jessie Elkoury, who played sweeper and centerhalf, sent several beautiful

long passes up to the forwards.

Finally, with the first half nearly over, the Bees scored on an unusual play. Palme, rather than throwing in the ball along the sidelines, made a long throw to Purdy, who spun toward the goal and made a perfectly timed one-touch kick to lift the ball over the keeper and into the net, giving Westfield a 1-0 lead.

During the second half, the Firebirds tried to find a weakness in the Bees defense. Pressing the attack near the Westfield goal, they brought up a fullback to form a four person offense. Stoppers Annie Onishi and Hansen and along with Palatucci and MacNeil successfully blunted most Firebird attacks.

The Bees continued to sting the Firebird's defense by moving the ball up the sidelines as Onishi, Jessica Schor, Aly Carter and Ann Sivulec worked with Dickson, Palatucci, Purdy and Rosen.

One of the Bees' closest scoring opportunities occurred late in the game, Bridgeman lofted a perfect cross to dead center in front of the goal and Purdy headed the ball toward the goal, but the ball sailed just over the crossbar.

Goalies Elkoury and Onishi have teamed up for an amazing eight shut-outs. The victory improved the Bees fall record to 5-1-3 and guarantees them the flight championship.

Killer Bees	1	0	1
Firebirds	0	0	0

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-10773-98.

**TRANS FINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, PLAINTIFF vs. NELSON MOTTA A/K/A NELSON E. MOTTA AND MARTHA MOTTA, ET ALS., DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$142,959.16. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH in the County of UNION, and the State of New Jersey.

**TAX LOT 727 BLOCK 10, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 11 GALLOPING HILL ROAD, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07208.**

Dimensions of the Lot are (Approximately) 100.00 feet wide by 50.00 feet long. Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the EASTERLY side of GALLOPING HILL ROAD, 100.00 feet from the NORTHERLY side of WESTFIELD AVENUE.

There is due approximately the sum of \$146,738.79 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, Attorney  
Suite J  
406 Lippincott Drive  
Marlton, New Jersey 08053  
CH-754109 (WL)  
4 T - 11/19, 11/26,  
12/3 & 12/10/98 Fee: \$175.44

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-9974-97.

**BEAL BANK, S.S.B., PLAINTIFF vs. PHILLIP MCCALL, ET AL., DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 14, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$110,605.73. DOCKET NO.: F-9974-97. MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth. COUNTY: Union STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

STREET & STREET NO.: 616 Fulton Street. TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 7 LOT: 541.

DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 25 feet x 100 feet. NEAREST CROSS STREET: 200 feet from 6th Street.

There is due approximately the sum of \$113,568.29 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
WILLIAM M. E. POWERS, JR., Attorney  
737 Stokes Road  
P.O. Box 1088  
Medford, New Jersey 08055-9962  
CH-754080 (WL)  
4 T - 11/5, 11/12,  
11/19 & 11/26/98 Fee: \$165.24

## F-SPY Piranhas Devour Gingerbread Competition

Competing against 250 swimmers from 18 New Jersey teams, the strength and depth of this year's Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA U-8 swim team was unveiled at the U. S. S. Gingerbread Mini Meet held at the Ridgewood YMCA on November 8. Both veterans and newcomers turned in exceptional performances. Several swimmers, notably eight-year-olds Gordon Peeler, Megan Gaynor, Catherine Maguire, Elizabeth Hawkins and seven-year-olds Jonathan Kosenick and Matt Morgan, were impressive in earning multiple awards.

Peeler led the list of outstanding swims by winning both the 50-yard backstroke and 25-yard butterfly. Kosenick captured fifth place in the 25-yard backstroke and sixth in the 25-yard butterfly while Morgan brought home a pair of seventh-place finishes in the 25-yard freestyle and 25-yard butterfly events.

On the girls side, Gaynor seized second in the 50-yard breast stroke and third in the 25-yard butterfly. Hawkins earned second in the 50-yard backstroke, sixth in the 100-yard individual medley and seventh in the 50-yard freestyle. Maguire swam a couple of particularly strong races in snaring fourth in the 50-yard breaststroke and sixth place in the 50-yard backstroke.

Other swimmers put in spectacular performances and showed why the Piranhas have tremendous depth. In the eight-year-old category, Erin Rossi captured fourth place in the 25-yard breaststroke, Alyssa Maurer took eighth in the 50-yard breaststroke, Leah Ferrante finished 12th in the 25-yard freestyle and Catherine Harley placed 15th in the 50-yard freestyle.

Emily O'Halloran led a group of seven-year-olds with a 10th in the 25-yard butterfly and an 11th in the 25-yard freestyle. Kimberly Many captured 12th in the 25-yard backstroke and Tori Ferrante also swan an outstanding race in finishing 12th in the 25-yard freestyle.

The six-year-old girls also got into the act with Anne Maguire finishing 10th in the 25-yard freestyle and Kara Gaynor grabbing 11th in the 25-yard backstroke.

The meet was a great opportunity for swimmers to gain invaluable experience as the Piranhas head into the upcoming dual meet season and onto next Spring's State Championships. Alina Chabus, Kimberly Kliesch, Kaitlin McGeehan, Sean Dolgin and Collyn O'Kane had major breakthroughs in their events with personal best times and their continued improvement will contribute to a team that the competition has learned to fear a team with a big bite.



THE KILLER BEEZZ!...The Westfield Killer Bees have been buzzing with the sweet smell of success all season.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-8519-98.

**GMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. ACESSE BARTHELMEY, ET ALS., DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$136,776.18. MUNICIPALITY: City of Elizabeth. COUNTY AND STATE: Union County, State of New Jersey.

STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 414 Cherry Street.

TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBERS: LOT Acct: 79 BLOCK Ward: 13.

DIMENSIONS: 125 feet x 48.15 feet x 125 feet x 50 feet.

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Approximately 140 feet from Elm Street.

There is due approximately the sum of \$140,398.69 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
ZEICHNER, ELLMAN AND KRAUSE, Attorney  
One Gateway Center  
Newark, New Jersey 07102  
CH-754091 (WL)  
4 T - 11/19, 11/26,  
11/26 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$167.28

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-18208-96.

**NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY, PLAINTIFF vs. FERNANDO SIERRA ET AL., DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JULY 14, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$135,764.24. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH, New Jersey 07202, County of UNION, and State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 502 CLIFTON STREET, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07202.

Tax Lot No. 0387B in Block No. 04. Dimension of Lot: approximately 20.50 feet wide by 100.00 feet long. Nearest Cross Street: Pulaski Street.

Situate at a point on the southwesterly side of Clifton Street distance approximately 40.58 feet northwesterly from its intersection with the northwesterly side of Pulaski Street.

There is due approximately the sum of \$139,453.94 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, Attorney  
Suite 201  
7 Century Drive  
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054  
CH-754103 (WL)  
4 T - 11/19, 11/26,  
12/3 & 12/10/98 Fee: \$185.64

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-004347-98.

**CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. BOBBY L. MCCRAY, ET ALS., DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$110,437.81. MUNICIPALITY: City of Elizabeth. COUNTY AND STATE: Union County, State of New Jersey.

STREET AND STREET NUMBER: 1083 William Street.

TAX LOT AND BLOCK NUMBERS: LOT 1395 BLOCK 9.

DIMENSIONS: 25 feet x 100 feet x 25 feet x 100 feet.

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Approximately 225.90 feet from Madison Avenue.

There is due approximately the sum of \$113,391.83 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
ZEICHNER, ELLMAN & KRAUSE, Attorney  
One Gateway Center  
Newark, New Jersey 07102  
CH-754111 (WL)  
4 T - 11/19, 11/26,  
12/3 & 12/10/98 Fee: \$165.24

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SHERIFF'S SALE**  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-6815-98.

**COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. ANGEL ARANGO AND MRS. ANGEL ARANGO, HIS WIFE; MEGO MORTGAGE CORPORATION, DEFENDANT.**

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.

By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, on the 6th Floor of the Union County Court House (Tower) 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey on WEDNESDAY THE 9TH DAY OF DECEMBER A.D., 1998 at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The judgment amount is \$66,103.80. The property to be sold is located in the CITY OF ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07202, County of UNION and State of New Jersey.

Commonly known as: 641-643 PEARL STREET, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07202.

Tax Lot No. 838 in Block No. 6. Dimension of Lot: approximately 63.06 feet wide by 199.64 feet long. Nearest Cross Street: Kenn Pruden.

Situate at a point on the northerly side of Pearl Street distance approximately 213.33 feet easterly from its intersection with the easterly corner of Kenn Pruden.

There is due approximately the sum of \$67,949.72 together with lawful interest and costs.

There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale.

RALPH FROEHLICH SHERIFF  
FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, Attorney  
Suite 201  
7 Century Drive  
Parsippany, New Jersey 07054  
CH-754092 (WL)  
4 T - 11/12, 11/19,  
11/26 & 12/3/98 Fee: \$187.68



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times ON THE ATTACK...Raider Peter Koblika, right, and Tafari Laing head downfield and prepare to terrorize their Parsippany Hills opponents.

## SPF U-10 Azurri Shoots Down Shooting Stars Girls, 5-1

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood U-10 Girls Azurri maintained first place in its flight and a perfect 8-0 record win a 5-1 win over the Hillsborough Shooting Stars.

Striker Colleen LaForge connected quickly with a slashing low ball past the goalie in the first five minutes of the match. She repeated five minutes later with a ball struck perfectly from the left side over the keeper's outstretched hands.

The third goal came from Emily Meehan who collected a nice pass from Allie Hambleton. Meehan had streaked down the right side and made a nice move with the ball.

The defense made it easy for the Strikers with fine play by Lauren Weissbrod at sweeper and Samantha Buteas, Linda Missal, and Brittany Larkin in midfield who defused any Shooting Star threat and quickly played the ball upfield.

The Azurri struck again as Amanda

Makowski scored from left halfback as she sidestepped left and shot right to surprise the keeper.

Hillsborough scored its lone goal on a penalty kick before halftime. Allison Zazzali tapped in the final Azurri tally off a beautiful cross from Makowski. Liz Halpin had started the play win a pass to Makowski. The Azurri then ran out the match with its tight ball control style with great play by midfielders Maggie McLaughlin and Molly Meehan.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION UNION COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-18574-98**

**NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: NORMAN SILVERSTEIN AND MRS. NORMAN SILVERSTEIN, HIS WIFE; MARY J. KULLANDER**

YOU ARE HEREBY summoned and required to serve upon ALLOCCA & PELLEGRINO, P.C., Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 4 Century Drive, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, an Answer to the Complaint and Amendments to Complaint (if any) filed in a Civil Action in which FUNB as Custodian for DH Associates is plaintiff and Norman Silverstein, et. als. are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within 35 days after November 19, 1998, exclusive of such date.

If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

You are further advised that if you are unable to obtain an attorney you may communicate with the Lawyer Referral Service of the county of venue and that if you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the county of venue.

The names and telephone numbers of such agencies are as follows: Lawyer Referral Service: 908-353-4715 Legal Service: 908-354-4340

THIS ACTION has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the following tax sale certificate(s):

1. A certain tax certificate 3504, recorded on January 24, 1994, made by Robert A. Mack, Collector of Taxes of City of Elizabeth, and State of New Jersey to City of Elizabeth and subsequently assigned to plaintiff, FUNB as Custodian for DH Associates. This covers real estate located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, known as 329 South Park Street, Block 03, Lot 0956, as shown on the Tax Assessment Map and Tax Map duplicate of City of Elizabeth.

YOU, Norman Silverstein, are made a defendant because you are the owner of a property which is the subject of the above entitled action.

YOU, Mrs. Norman Silverstein, are made a defendant in the above entitled action because plaintiff has been unable to determine whether defendant Norman Silverstein is married, and if married, the name of Norman Silverstein's spouse. If Norman Silverstein is married, the plaintiff joins Mrs. Norman Silverstein as a defendant for any possessory or marital rights you may have.

YOU, Mary J. Kullander, are made a defendant in the above entitled action because on January 31, 1992, you recorded a Mortgage for a debt of \$27,900.00, in Book 4418, Page 0124, in the Union County Clerk's Register's Office.

DONALD F. PHELAN CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

ALLOCCA & PELLEGRINO 4 Century Drive Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 1 T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$70.38

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWN OF WESTFIELD BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Westfield Board of Adjustment adopted Resolutions at its November 9, 1998 meeting for the following applications heard at its October 19, 1998 meeting:

- Betty G. and Stephen E. Barcan, 838 Standish Avenue seeking permission to alter a single family dwelling - granted.
- Zbigniew and Andrea M. Kozlowski, 8-A US Route 22, seeking permission to erect a building addition (with existing deck) granted - with conditions.
- Robert A. Panza, 566 Westfield Avenue seeking permission to use a third floor for residential purposes - granted with conditions.
- Rita and Dennis Wade, 365 Wychwood Road seeking permission to erect a second story addition - granted.

Colleen Mayer, Secretary  
Broad of Adjustment  
1 T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$23.97

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON DECEMBER 3, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, the Scotch Plains Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing to consider the following appeal:**

**KEITH and MARY GRABEL** for a Variance to permit the construction of a new deck to be added to the existing deck at the property located at **HIGHLANDER DRIVE (BLOCK 15304, LOT 7)**, Scotch Plains, which is contrary to the requirements of the following section of the Zoning Ordinance:

**Section 23-3.4A, Paragraph A, Column 8** whereby minimum side-yard setback required is thirty (30) feet; proposed: approximately eighteen (18) feet [by plan].

**DAN PICARO** for Use Variances (1) to permit the construction of a two-family duplex unit and (2) to permit truck storage in the third bay of the proposed detached garage at the property located at **2682 Plainfield Avenue (Block 7303, Lot 15)**, Scotch Plains. Said uses are prohibited in the R-3 Zone pursuant to Section 23.3.7 of the Zoning Ordinance.

**MARK ENTERPRISES, INC., /a Bowersoft Amusement Park**, a non-conforming use in the ML-1 Zone, for a Use Variance to permit the installation of an additional "kiddie" ride, a water playground and a maintenance building at the property located at **2545 Route 22 West (Block 4802, Lot 9)**, Scotch Plains. Said proposals constitute an expansion of the non-conforming use, pursuant to **Section 23.3.8** of the Zoning Ordinance, which requires the granting of a Use Variance.

Applicant is also requesting a waiver of site plan approval for these proposals.

**SHACKAMAXON GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB** for a Use Variance to permit the installation of an above-ground, 2,000-gallon fuel storage tank at the property located at **1607 Shackamaxon Drive (Block 11301, Lot 1)**,

### SPFEA Offers Tips to Strengthen Kids' Reading and Study Skills

Members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association (SPFEA)—Scotch Plains and Fanwood's teachers, aides and secretaries—know how much parents want their children to enjoy reading, and how much they want them to succeed in school.

Parents know that good reading skills help their children succeed in school, and the love of reading is the greatest education gift we can give our children. To help families instill a love of reading in their children, the SPFEA offers these tips:

- Link reading to children's current interests — comic books, fashion magazines, even retail catalogues and the Guinness Book of World Records.
- Keep a selection of library books linked to children's interests at home and let them browse.
- Stack appealing reading materials wherever your children sit.
- Let your children see you reading every day. Don't put off reading until after the children are in bed.
- Discuss articles you've read in magazines and newspapers with your children.
- Be flexible and tolerant. Don't insist that children finish a book. Let them read while the television or radio is on.
- Give books and magazine subscriptions as gifts. Treat them to movies and plays based on books they've read. Ask them to compare.
- Share the reading experience from infancy to middle school; read to your children every day or have your child read aloud to you. Act out scenes.
- Ask questions such as, "What do you think will happen next?" or "Why did the character do that?"
- Be optimistic and patient. Every child

can learn to love reading — eventually. Homework extends the learning experience beyond the classroom and reinforces learning by giving children a chance to practice without the pressure of time.

It also teaches a child to organize time, work independently, use good study skills and develop self-discipline. In addition, it gives the child with learning challenges extra time to improve.

The SPFEA has offered families these tips to help children benefit from homework assignments:

- Create a quiet place to study with lots of light and school supplies.
- Set a scheduled time every day for homework.
- Show your support by staying nearby.
- Urge your children to pair up with a homework "buddy," someone they can call.
- Encourage your children to take short breaks while doing homework.
- Discuss any problems with your children's teacher.
- Talk with your children about some of their homework assignments.
- Support your children's efforts, but do not protect them from the consequences if their homework doesn't get finished.
- Discuss homework as a way to develop self-discipline and good study habits.
- Surprise your children with a reward when they've been studying hard.

The SPFEA wants every child to develop strong study skills, and we believe that parents are our true partners in education.

**Barbara McGuane**  
SPFEA President

## Letters to the Editor

### Carl Salisbury Offers Thanks to Those Who Aided in His Recent Re-election

I write to express my thanks to the people of the First Ward, my neighbors, for their support on November 3.

During the Candidates' Forum on October 22, I said that, of the many places my wife and I lived before settling down in Westfield, I love this place the most and it is not even close. The campaign for Council made me marvel at the good fortune we enjoyed and the wisdom we employed when we chose Westfield as our home.

For eight weeks, the people of this

### Why Lie About Facts Of Recent Election?

I was impressed with the graciousness of the Westfield candidates who lost the past election — as evidenced by their letters to the editor in *The Leader* of November 12.

Then I read the letter by a Mountainside candidate who lost (Michael Krasner) and wondered why he has to continue to lie about the facts even after the election is over.

In his letter published November 12, he states "...registered Republicans outnumbered registered Democrats 3 to 1."

In my letter of the same issue, I had stated "Only about one-third of Mountainsiders are Republicans." Surely, the voters must be confused when reading our two letters.

Therefore, the Union County Board of Elections has furnished me with the actual numbers of registered voters as of November 13.

Total number of registered voters are Mountainside, 4,624 — Republicans, 1,554; Democrats, 782; unaffiliated, 2,280, and declared, 8.

I again repeat that only about one-third of Mountainside's voters are Republicans, and that we rely on independents and Democrats to support our best candidates. Thank you to all of the Mountainside voters who exercised their right to vote.

**Dr. Marilyn McGuire-Hart**  
Republican Chairman  
Mountainside

town opened their doors — and often their homes — to me and talked with me about their concerns, hopes, complaints and joys. They spoke about these things thoughtfully and they always treated me with respect, warmth and courtesy. They made me happy to be their neighbor. I give my heartfelt thanks to them for a great experience.

I also give my heartfelt thanks to Jon Brannick, who was an honorable and worthy competitor in a race that was decided by a razor-thin margin. I trust that Jon feels as I do: that we have become good friends during this campaign and that we will remain so for many years. I hope that the honest and civilized campaign he ran becomes a model for all who run for office in Westfield in the future.

Countless times during the many door-to-door conversations I had this fall, people would express a healthy skepticism about whether this stranger was up to the task. Then they would flip to the back page of my brochure and see the picture of my wife, Casey Chandler. Suddenly, I was their best friend. They would often say: "Why didn't you tell me before that you were Casey's husband?"

Evidently, they felt that anyone who had the good sense and judgment to marry this wonderful woman was obviously an excellent judge of character and a man to be trusted. In point of fact, I married way over my head.

Those of you who contributed your time, energy, and hard-earned money to my campaign know who you are and so do I. There are too many of you to list and I would inadvertently leave someone out if I tried to mention all of you. If there was one thing about this experience that was truly humbling, it was the notion that so many good people would contribute their energies and open up their wallets in support of my run for office.

I want my neighbors in the First Ward to know that I had fun and that I am ready to work hard for them.

**Carl A. Salisbury**  
Councilman-Elect  
First Ward  
Westfield

### Resident Asks Mayor to Pay Attention To Local Street, Sidewalk Conditions

**Editor's Note:** The following letter was addressed to Westfield Mayor Thomas C. Jardim with a copy sent to this newspaper.

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Congratulations on your re-election. This is my second letter to you requesting intervention. Please come by to see the deplorable condition of the street and sidewalk at the corner of Scotch Plains Avenue and Clarence Avenue.

The place is filthy and no attempts are being made to keep the area tidy. Dry dirt flows through the air every time a vehicle drives on Clarence. No attempts are made to clean the area. Don't we have street sweepers? Aren't we entitled to some cleanliness at our homes?

Straw is strewn over the sewers on Clarence, clogging them. If there were significant rainfall it would be a disaster. I believe the straw was originally placed around the sewers in an attempt to channel rain and prevent water from accumulating on Scotch Plains Avenue.

The sidewalk that was destroyed in front of my house has not been repaired. Halloween was frightening. There is no marker to alert walkers of a serious "hole" in the sidewalk area.

Please be advised, should anyone fall and hurt themselves the Town of Westfield or Charles Higgins (a developer of homes on the street) would be responsible for negligence.

The power line is still lying in the street, is this acceptable to OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration)? Is it not a hazard to have live wires on the ground?

We are still looking at a temporary utility pole. My neighbor's property has not been restored thus adding to the dirt and unsightly conditions here.

My taxes are now \$5,500. What do I get for that? Certainly not protection of my investment in Westfield. This now borders on ridiculous. Clarence Avenue was "created" on or about December 1, 1997. It will soon be a year. Are we to live through another winter of muck and filth?

Where are the elected officials that were re-elected by the people and "for the people?"

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

**Michele M. Krug**  
Westfield

### Parent Commends Scotch Plains Teachers

In this age of "fitting in with the crowd" and "everybody does it," it is not always easy for parents to instill values that will help our children grow into honest, caring individuals with respect for themselves and for others.

As a parent, I would like to express my respect and appreciation for those members of our teaching staff who have recently shown that they are willing to stand by their beliefs in what is right despite tremendous pressure to do otherwise.

Those individual teachers in this district who have continued to do what they feel is right for the children in their charge, in spite of unpleasant repercussions from Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association (SPFEA) members, are providing the role models that I want for my child.

Giving in to peer pressure, or knuckling under to mob-rule tactics against one's own personal beliefs, does not set an example of the kind of values that will enable our children to "just say no" when faced with difficult choices in their futures.

Standing up for what you believe is right when you seem to be in a minority is always hard to do. To those teachers who continue to stand by the courage of their convictions, I would like to assure you that many parents in Scotch Plains and Fanwood recognize your efforts and honor you for your actions.

**Janet Mann**  
Scotch Plains

### Tattered American Flag Considered Unpatriotic On Veteran's Holiday

On November 11, I decided to pay a personal tribute to the deceased veterans enshrined at the Westfield Memorial Pool. For many years, I have admired this town's dedication to their heroes, and could only think of the respect that these brave men and women had been afforded.

As I strolled along the wildlife trail, my mind was consumed with thoughts of admiration for a community that exhibited such reverence for the many who served their country.

Rounding the corner of the parking lot, my opinion rapidly changed. In the wind, attached to the pole, flew a star spangled banner that made the area look like a combat zone. This majestic symbol of our nation was faded, it was shredded, it was torn, and it was hanging over a sign designating a memorial.

I realized the previous night's weather had been heavy, but I had also been at sea in some of the worst storms imaginable, and never saw this degree of despair. Surprise, anguish, and heartbreak consumed me as my son asked me why, and I could not give him an answer.

My only thought was to enlighten the proud locals that their image had been tarnished, and hope the right thing would be done to restore the luster to this now depressing site.

If a new flag is not available, please let me know and I will provide one.

**Joseph F. Doll**  
Scotch Plains

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### PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE

## NOTICE OF SALE FOR REAL ESTATE FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CHARGES

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned, the Collector of Taxes of the Township of Scotch Plains, Union County, New Jersey will sell at a public auction on the 1st day of December 1998, in the Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey at 10 o'clock in the morning, the below described lands:

The said lands will be sold to make the amount of municipal liens chargeable against that same on the 1st day of December 1998 together with interest and cost of sale, exclusive however, of the lien for taxes for the year 1998.

Said lands will be sold in fee to such persons as will purchase the same, subject to redemption at the lowest rate of interest, but in no case in excess of eighteen (18) percent per annum. Payment for the sale shall be made by cash, certified or cashier's check, or money order before the conclusion of the sale or the property will be resold.

Any parcel of real property for which there shall be no other purchase will be struck off and sold to the municipality in fee for redemption at eighteen (18) percent per annum and the municipality shall have the right to bar or foreclose right of redemption.

The sale will be made and conducted in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 54, Revised Statutes of New Jersey, 1937 and amendments thereto.

At any time before the sale, the undersigned will receive payment of the amount due on the property, with interest and costs incurred up to the time of payment by cash, certified or cashier's check, or money order.

Industrial properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10-23.11 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq.), and the Industrial Site Recovery Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1K-6 et seq.). In addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site.

The said lands so subject to sale, described in accordance with the tax duplicate, including the name of the owner as shown on the last tax duplicate and the total amount due thereon respectively on the 1st day of December, 1998, exclusive of the lien for the year are as listed below:

Kathleen W. Silber  
Collector of Taxes  
Scotch Plains, New Jersey

NO.	BLOCK	LOT	OWNER NAME	PROPERTY LOCATION	TAX	MUNIC.	INTER-EST	COST	TOTAL
1.	00201	02	Chua, Edita	406 Farley Avenue	2,990.52	0.00	296.41	65.74	3,352.67
2.	00203	03	Rayric, Inc.	445 Terrill Road	17,204.66	0.00	1,883.90	100.00	19,188.56
4.	00502	03	Armstrong, Frederick	1616 Front Street	3,876.60	0.00	1,014.10	97.81	4,988.51
6.	00602	16	Shackelford, M. & Banks, R.	1601 Front Street	3,424.33	0.00	885.72	86.20	4,396.25
7.	00603	08	Campbell, Leroy and Hillary	349 Jackson Avenue	904.46	0.00	16.59	18.42	939.47
8.	00902	07	Moore, John & Minnie	318 Myrtle Avenue	3,851.75	0.00	775.48	92.54	4,719.77
9.	01101	04	Vargonick, J. and S.D.L.	1729 East Second St.	5,275.33	0.00	947.38	100.00	6,322.71
10.	01103	27	Johnson, Frederick Estate of	446 Flanders Avenue	2,957.15	0.00	599.78	71.14	3,628.07
11.	03703	08	Gellerman, Floyd	2292 Mountain Avenue	4,318.93	0.00	1,080.08	100.00	5,499.01
13.	04201	11	Cicalese, James & Michelle	515 William Street	2,270.86	0.00	199.38	49.40	2,519.64
14.	04401	14	West, Mary E.	4 Johnson Street	1,107.79	0.00	36.56	22.89	1,167.24
16.	06102	14	DeStefanis, Austin	690 Rolling Peaks Way	894.60	0.00	79.89	19.49	993.98
17.	06102	15	West, W. Charles	2551 Broadway	3,280.20	0.00	659.19	78.79	4,018.18
18.	06102	16	Broadway Associates	2539 Broadway	3,424.33	0.00	688.15	82.25	4,194.73
19.	06102	17	Broadway Associates	2529 Broadway	2,236.50	0.00	406.40	52.86	2,695.76
20.	06102	20	Broadway Associates	2521 Broadway	994.00	0.00	88.78	21.66	1,104.44
21.	06103	07	Sawyer, Arthur	2563 Waverly Place	606.34	0.00	54.15	15.00	675.49
22.	06103	09	Sawyer, Arthur	2553 Waverly Place	1,615.25	0.00	246.52	37.24	1,899.01
23.	06201	05	Flynn, James B.	2536 Broadway	2,276.26	0.00	416.63	53.86	2,746.75
24.	07201	12	Legg, G. Randolph	2386 Beryllium Road	7,623.37	0.00	1,728.19	100.00	9,451.56
25.	07201	24	Foster, James and Sallie	2402 Hamlette Place	532.85	0.00	127.57	15.00	675.42
26.	13301	22	Dixon, Robert L. & Barbara	3 Linden Lane	6,608.15	0.00	1,582.00	100.00	8,290.15
27.	13302	07	Leighton, Saul & Roberta	2051 Winding Brook W.	9,676.59	0.00	1,944.61	100.00	11,721.20
28.	Blk-13701.15								
			Lot-3 CB010	LiBrandi, Catherine	4,085.34	0.00	773.95	97.19	4,956.48
29.	14301	22	Tussel, Carol Ann	1360 Raritan Road	1,344.88	0.00	262.73	32.15	1,639.76
31.	15302	02	Shanni, Stefan	1310 Cushing Road	3,668.14	0.00	797.82	89.32	4,555.28
33.	16002	01	Skyline Develop. Corp	27 Winchester Drive	2,189.29	0.00	376.65	51.32	2,617.26
4 T - 11/5, 11/12, 11/19 & 11/26/98, The Times									Fee: \$685.44

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## Prudential's Mr. Kraft Named Accredited Relocation Agent

Larry Kraft, a Realtor-Associate with Prudential New Jersey Realty's Westfield office, recently received the designation of Accredited Relocation Agent by Relocation Resources, Inc. (RRI), an international relocation company.



Mr. Kraft was among relocation professionals from across the nation who attended a comprehensive, three-day seminar designed to train carefully selected real estate professionals in

the specialized field of relocation, according to Prudential New Jersey Realty spokeswoman Pam MacKenzie.

By earning the Accredited Relocation Agent designation, Mr. Kraft becomes a key member of the RRI homesale/homefinding team in the Union County area.

RRI has operation centers in six states as well as in London, England. It administers the employee relocation policies of over 200 clients, many of which are Fortune 500 Corporations.

In this capacity, RRI helps thousands of relocating employees sell, find and finance homes throughout the country each year. Prudential New Jersey Realty is RRI's partner in many parts of the state, including the greater Westfield area.

## Kay Gragnano Recognized For Coldwell Banker Sales

WESTFIELD — Kay Gragnano of Westfield has been honored as a member of Coldwell Banker Realtors' International Presidents Circle, the company announced recently.

She was recognized for having achieved a total sales and listing volume of more than \$9 million during the first three quarters of 1998, and for the 12th consecutive year.



Kay Gragnano

The International Presidents Circle is comprised of the top 1 percent of the firm's Sales Associates in the United States.

A 14-year real estate professional, Ms. Gragnano has been described by Marilyn Kelly, Manager of the Westfield office of Coldwell Banker, "as a real team player who is dedicated to completely satisfying the real estate needs of her clients."

Ms. Gragnano is a member of the Westfield Board of Realtors, and has been consistently cited for outstanding real estate sales production levels. She has been named to the Million Dollar Sales Club Silver Level for the past 11 years.

A Westfield resident for 22 years, she and her husband, Edward, have two children.

Ms. Gragnano may be reached for real estate transactions at Coldwell Banker's Westfield office, 209 Central Avenue, by calling (908) 233-5555.



NEW SINGERS... The Westfield Glee Club recently welcomed two new singers, Christopher Riley of Scotch Plains, second from left, and Michael Gale of Westfield, second from right, to its membership. The club is in rehearsal for winter concerts to be sung on Saturday, December 12, at 8 p.m. at Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield, and on Sunday, December 13, at 4 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm Street in Westfield. Flanking the new singers are Club President Daniel Metroka, left, and Director Thomas Booth. For additional information on the club, please call Dale Juntilla at (908) 232-0673.

## County Prosecutor Launches 'Drug Buyer Beware' Project

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Police chiefs from Plainfield and Elizabeth said they will continue to join forces with the county's Narcotic Strike Force, which has always targeted street level dealers and midlevel suppliers since it was established as the first regional drug task force east of the Mississippi back in 1972.

But now the emphasis will also be on buyer arrests, the use of reverse stings where officers pose as drug dealers and then have their customers taken into custody.

Union County Police Chief Richard Mannix, who is President of the Union County Police Chiefs' Association, said the law enforcement community is "solidly behind the effort" and that much of the clientele that participate in drugs, prostitution and auto theft in the towns and in the county park sys-

tem are outsiders.

The county law enforcement community, Mr. Manahan said, is also "elated" that a new Appellate Division opinion recently issued upholds the use of roadblocks even when they involve the stopping of every single car coming down a roadway.

The three-judge panel, in a written opinion distributed November 6, found that a roadblock established by the Cranford Police Department two years ago met all constitutional requirements and helped not only to catch lawbreakers but to inform and deter other motorists about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.

Mr. Manahan also displayed warning fliers, printed in English and Spanish, that will be personally handed to those found loitering in or driving through the target areas.

## American Tire & Auto Care Celebrates First Anniversary

WESTFIELD - American Tire & Auto Care is celebrating its first anniversary since reopening its renovated facility at 600 North Avenue in Westfield, the location formerly known as Whalen's Automotive Service.

Jeff Pultorak, Store Manager, has maintained and expanded the service that the Whalen family started in 1933. Several of the improvements have included modern, computerized equipment, additional service bays and lifts, a new customer lounge, the addition of certified technicians, and Saturday hours.

Mr. Pultorak, a New Jersey native, has almost 30 years experience in the automotive service field. He has a background in all makes and models including General Motors, Volvo and Mercedes Benz.

"There is almost no vehicle problem our team can't handle. If I don't find a solution right away, I call upon the vast network of service technicians with whom I've worked to help me out," said Mr. Pultorak.

"And as a teacher," he continued, "I train our staff to treat each customer's vehicle like it was their

own — or their wife's, mother's or kid's. That way we provide the best service possible."

American Tire & Auto Care offers tire service on brands including Goodyear, Michelin, Uniroyal, Firestone, Remington and more. They also offer automotive services featuring a computerized diagnostic and testing system.

For more information, please call (908) 233-0393.



Jeff Pultorak

## Burgdorff Names Mark Troxler As Salesperson of the Month

WESTFIELD - Mark Troxler of Burgdorff Realtors, ERA in Westfield, has been named salesperson of the month for September.

Mr. Troxler has broken all previous records for any given month and attained eight sales and listings sold for the month.

Mr. Troxler is a native of Iowa and Nebraska. He moved to the East Coast and attended Lynchburg College where he studied International Relations.

He has lived in Cranford with his wife, Elizabeth Blackwood of

Mountainside for four years, selling real estate for three of the four years.

Mr. Troxler has received numerous production awards. He is a member of the New Jersey Association of Realtors (NJAR) and also the Greater Union County Association of Realtors.

Jan T. Massard, Vice President of the Westfield office stated, "Mark has been a wonderful addition to our office this year and has taken advantage of our cutting edge training and focus sessions to help his clients and expand his own production. In the time that Mark has been selling real estate he has amassed a vast knowledge of Union County and at times has amazed the long time agents and residents with his comprehensive understanding of the area."

To reach Mr. Troxler, please call (908) 233-6841.



Mark Troxler

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### TOWN OF WESTFIELD PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Westfield Planning Board at its meeting on November 2, 1998 memorialized the following Board action of October 5, 1998 re:

98-20(V) MICHAEL MAHONEY (APPLICANT)/ROBERT L. ALPERN (OWNER), 780 Clarence street (aka 241 LAMBERTS MILL ROAD), BLOCK 2815, LOT 11.01, PRELIMINARY AND FINAL MINOR SUBDIVISION APPROVAL - approved.  
Kenneth B. Marsh, Secretary  
Westfield Planning Board  
1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$15.81

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD

Date Adopted: November 12, 1998  
Public Notice is hereby given that the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service or extraordinary, unspecifiable service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it is available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RESOLUTION NO.: 1332-98  
(Amending Resolution No. 381-97)  
AWARDED TO: Edward Kologi, Esq., 923 North Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey.  
SERVICES: For providing additional legal services on behalf of Sheriff Forehlich in the matter entitled *Frazier v. Union County, et al.*  
AMOUNT: In the amount of \$5,000, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$10,000.  
Elizabeth Genievich  
Clerk of the Board  
1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$23.97

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RESOLUTION NO.: 1322-98  
AWARDED TO: The Hartford Insurance Group.  
SERVICES: For a Public Official Bond for Mary Trowbridge, Deputy Surrogate of Union County.  
AMOUNT: The total annual premium is \$100.00, for a bond limit of \$25,000.  
PERIOD: Effective date August 24, 1998.  
Elizabeth Genievich  
Clerk of the Board  
1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$22.44

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**RAFFLE WINNER...**The year-long 50th Anniversary Car Raffle sponsored by the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA was won by Alina Roche of Rahway. Pictured beside the new 1998 Nissan Altima is Carlos Roche, Alina's husband, and Karin Dreixler, Executive Director of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA.

## Nancy Bregman of Coldwell Receives Silver Level Award

WESTFIELD — The Board of Realtors has honored Nancy Bregman, an Associate in Coldwell Banker's Westfield office, with membership in the New Jersey Association of Realtors' (NJAR) Silver Level Million Dollar Club. The Silver Level NJAR designation is



Nancy Bregman

awarded to agents who have achieved an annual sales volume in excess of \$5 million. Mrs. Bregman also earned membership in NJAR's Distinguished Sales Club by qualifying for NJAR's Million Dollar Club for 10 consecutive years. In addition, she is a member of Coldwell Banker's International President's Circle, another group of high performance sales associates. Mrs. Bregman, a long-time area resident, has worked in the real estate field for 25 years. She may be reached at Coldwell Banker's Westfield office, 209 Central Avenue in Westfield, at (908) 233-5555.

## Older Women's League to Hear Report on Recent Convention

The Older Women's League (OWL) Central New Jersey Chapter has announced that New Jersey delegates to the 1998 National Convention of the Older Women's League will make a report at the chapter's Saturday, November 21 meeting. The meeting, to begin at 10 a.m., will be

held at the YWCA of Summit on Morris Avenue and Prospect Street. The delegates discussed topics such as "Making Money Last as Long as You Do," "Creating a Long-Term Care System That Works," "Women and The Future of Medicare," and "Creating Positive Images of Midlife and Older Women" at the Convention which was held November 6 to 8 in Washington, D.C.

For further information, please call (908) 272-5671 or (908) 755-8951.

### Cranford Theater Sets Auditions for Next Play, 'Arsenic & Old Lace'

The Cranford Dramatic Club will hold auditions for "Arsenic & Old Lace" on Sunday, November 22, starting at 1 p.m., and on Tuesday, November 24, starting at 7 p.m. at the theater located at 78 Winans Avenue in Cranford.

"Arsenic & Old Lace" is the story of two ladies who love to entertain socially acceptable roomers, their brother who thinks himself Teddy Roosevelt, and a second mysterious brother.

The production will be directed by Peggy Seymour. Performances will on Fridays and Saturdays, February 19 and 20, 26 and 27 and March 5 and 6.

To audition, please call the casting chairwoman, Linda Giuditta at (908) 232-8934 or the Director at (908) 276-4556, or the theater's hotline at (908) 276-7611 for further information.

### Yoga Center to Present Special Art Exhibition

WESTFIELD — Artists from the Westfield Art Association will exhibit original works that celebrate the human form at Nicole's Yoga Center in Garwood on Friday, December 4, at 5 p.m.

The exhibit is part of an evening marking the Yoga Center's 10th anniversary. A native of Paris, Nicole Mode has been teaching the science of yoga for 41 years.

The artwork will be displayed at the yoga center during a cocktail reception starting at 5 p.m. A dinner-dance featuring a 1950s and 1960s theme will follow at the Crossroads Restaurant in Garwood.

The reception is free and the dinner dance costs \$35 per person. For further information on the celebration, please contact Nicole's Yoga Center at (908) 789-6426.

The exhibiting artists are members of a figure drawing group sponsored by the Westfield Art Association. Participants meet weekly to draw clothed models in the Community Room of the Westfield Municipal Building.

Artists expected to exhibit include George Fritz, Don Ho, Barbara Schwinn and Barbara Zietchick of Westfield, Jane Annis and Darrel Belcher of Mountainside, Dorothy Wilkinson of Clark, Rosalind Miniman of Springfield and Joan Polishook of Edison.

For information about the figure drawing group, please call Mr. Fritz (908) 233-0776.



**SALUTED FOR SERVICE...**Westfield Mayor Thomas C. Jardim recently signed a resolution celebrating the 1998-1999 academic year as the 60th anniversary of the Westfield Adult School Association. Town Council representatives, the Westfield Board of Education, and other community groups joined the Westfield Woman's Club in its community project in 1938 to develop the Adult School. Pictured, left to right, are: Lawrence E. Pagot, President of the Adult School Board of Trustees, Mayor Jardim and Carol Phelan, Director.

## Magnet High School to Host Second Informational Session

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Union County Magnet High School for Science, Mathematics and Technology will host its second informational session for interested applicants to the Class of 2003 and their parents on Monday, November 30, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the main auditorium.

The Magnet High School is located in Mancuso Hall on the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools campus at 1776 Raritan Road.

Students are admitted to the Magnet High School from all districts within Union County, and attend classes on a full-time basis. Transportation is provided.

The rigorous academic curriculum

prepares them for entry into baccalaureate degree programs. In collaboration with Union County College, the school also offers students the opportunity to earn up to one year of college credit prior to graduation from the Magnet High School.

According to Corinne Wnek, Director of Student Services, the upcoming informational session will feature speakers who will describe the nature of magnet high schools and how they differ from the local comprehensive schools.

In addition, admissions policies will be explained in full detail, and an in-depth rundown will be provided on the school's curriculum and other services offered.

For additional materials on the Union County Magnet High School, and to make reservations for the informational session, where seating will be limited, please call Ms. Wnek in Student Services at (908) 889-3800, Extension No. 201.

### Carolyn Klinger-Kueter Recently Named To Who's Who List

Carolyn Klinger-Kueter was recently selected for inclusion in the 5th edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. Tracy Van Cort, a former piano student of 10 years, recommended Ms. Klinger-Kueter for "making a difference in her life."

Only high school and college students who have been cited for academic excellence themselves in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* or *The National Dean's List* respectively, are invited to propose a teacher for their entire academic experience.

Ms. Klinger-Kueter has taught piano in Westfield for the past 40 years, as well as being a music specialist in several pre-school programs in the area. Current, she is a music facilitator at The St. Paul's Nursery School in Westfield and conducts Kindermusik® classes as well.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that a resolution follows was passed and adopted by the Council of the Town of Westfield at a meeting thereof held November 10, 1998.

Joy C. Vreeland  
Town Clerk

### RESOLUTION PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE NOVEMBER 10, 1998

WHEREAS, Town Council retained the firm of Killam Associates on January 10, 1994, to perform a preliminary study of Tamaques Park Pond to determine the presence or absence of contaminants in the sediment relative to dredging and disposal requirements, and

WHEREAS, the results of the aforesaid study, as outlined in the report, "Tamaques Park Pond Improvements Feasibility Study," dated June, 1994, revealed the presence of certain contaminants which would require costly special handling and disposal techniques, and

WHEREAS, the study also indicated that additional sampling and analysis is required to determine the type and extent of contaminants in the sediment, as well as the methods and costs of required remedial measures, and

WHEREAS, Town Council included \$25,000.00 in the 1998 Operating Budget for the required additional study of Tamaques Park Pond, and

WHEREAS, Killam Associates submitted a proposal dated October 22, 1998, to conduct the aforesaid additional study, which would include further sampling and testing of sediment, evaluation of alternative measures for sediment removal and disposal, preliminary cost estimates of various remedial measures considered and investigation into possible outside sources of funding for the remedial work, and

WHEREAS, Killam Associates has proposed to provide the aforementioned services for a basic fee of \$20,000.00 and an additional fee of \$4,500.00 for additional sampling and analysis which may be required based upon the initial evaluation, and

WHEREAS, the Town Engineer has reviewed the aforesaid Proposal and recommends that a professional services contract for the additional study of Tamaques Park Pond as outlined in the Proposal dated October 22, 1998, be awarded to Killam Associates for the above-stated fee of \$24,500.00:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield that the aforementioned contract for professional engineering services required for further study of Tamaques Park Pond be awarded to Killam Associates, 27 Bleeker Street, Milburn, New Jersey in the amount of \$24,500.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the fees for this work be charged to Account No. 8-001-137-256.

A copy of this resolution shall be published in THE WESTFIELD LEADER as Public Notice of action taken in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5.

1 T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$63.24

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## NOTICE OF SALE FOR REAL ESTATE FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CHARGES

**PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the undersigned, the Collector of Taxes of the Borough of Fanwood, Union County, New Jersey will sell at a public auction on the 10th day of December 1998, in the Mayor and Council Chambers in the Municipal Building, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey at 10 o'clock in the morning, the below described lands.

The said lands will be sold to make the amount of municipal liens chargeable against that same on the 10th day of December 1998 together with interest and cost of sale, exclusive however, of the lien for taxes for the year 1998.

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BLOCK/LOT	OWNER NAME	PROPERTY LOCATION	AMOUNT
82/11	Fischbein, Gerald D. and Ellen M.	156 Vinton Circle	\$7,202.06
			Colleen M. Huehn Collector of Taxes Fee: \$361.08

4 T - 11/12, 11/19, 11/26 & 12/3/98, The Times

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

The 1999 Tax Assessment rolls of the Borough of Fanwood will be open for inspection at the Borough Hall, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood, New Jersey, on December 15, 1998 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

#### TAX ASSESSOR BOROUGH OF FANWOOD

1 T - 11/19/98, The Times Fee: \$10.20

### PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS  
**NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD**  
Date Adopted: November 12, 1998

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#### RESOLUTION NO.: 1333-98 (Amending Resolution No. 841-94)

**AWARDED TO:** Edward Kologi, Esq., 923 North Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey.

**SERVICES:** Replacing the law firm of Satterlee, Stephens, Burke & Burke, 47 Maple Street, Summit, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing legal services on behalf of Union County Police Officer Scott Pentz in municipal court matter entitled *State v. Pentz*.

**AMOUNT:** In an amount not to exceed \$1,000.

Elizabeth Genievich  
Clerk of the Board

1 T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$26.01

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#### RESOLUTION NO.: 1336-98 (Amending Resolution No. 920-98)

**AWARDED TO:** Anthony D. Rinaldo, Jr., Esq., 405 Westfield Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

**SERVICES:** For providing additional legal services on behalf of Edward Einhorn in the matter entitled *Anning et al v. County of Union, et al*.

**AMOUNT:** In an amount of \$768.75, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$30,768.75.

Elizabeth Genievich  
Clerk of the Board

1 T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$24.48

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# - CLASSIFIEDS -

**HELP WANTED**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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

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

Call Miki Leitner  
(908) 233-2501

**HELP WANTED**

P/T Receptionist - Gracious senior residents seek friendly, energetic person, typing skills preferred. Needed for weekends, 11 to 15 hours/week.

Call (908) 654-5200

**HELP WANTED**

**HOUSEHOLD HELPER** needed in Westfield one day each week for cleaning, laundry, etc. \$12/hour. Please reply daytime (908) 232-1456. Leave message.

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Gerta F. Mange to David B. Trumpp, 10 Oakwood Court, \$147,500.  
Scott M. Rodger to Frederick J. and Christa A. Lavin, 306 South Avenue, \$180,000.  
Richard J. Bukosky to Derek and M. Kelly Watson, 100 South Martine Avenue, \$410,000.  
Joe G. Clader to Martin J. and Lori A. Downs, 25 Birchwood Terrace, \$235,000.

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Robert T. O'Brien to Luke A. Kory, 1231 Woodland Avenue, \$106,000.  
Natalie Dudyk to Steven and Jill Markovits, 15 Clinton Lane, \$450,000.  
Jonathan Edward to Robert B. and Nora S. Morrison, 26 Autumn Drive, \$365,000.  
David J. Burns to Robert Lewis, 2269 New York Avenue No. 2273, \$360,000.  
Thomasina McCormick to Lionel H. and Laura A. Howard, 344 Park View Drive, \$215,000.  
Donald J. Stauder to Ricky and Debra Ausbon, 202 Harding Road, \$172,000.  
Joseph Derose & Son to David and Connie Boruch, 2333 Evergreen Avenue, \$254,000.  
Tom LaCorte to Liam M. Douglas and Catherine A. McHugh, 2000 Church Street, \$157,500.  
Stephen F. Sinclair to Joseph Venezia and Kristen A. Davit, 2383 Longfellow Avenue, \$218,000.  
Mark A. Stone to Sungwon Thomas Lee, 2088 Elizabeth Avenue, \$239,500.  
Raymond A. Dente to Allen S. and Clarie Maizes, 6 Sassafras Court, \$480,000.  
Charles F. Burdge to Patrick and Maureen A. Grimes, 2411 Hill Road, \$231,000.  
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T. Hoffman to Paul H. and Patricia Tice, 1 Breeze Knoll Drive, \$550,000.  
G. B. Lindenberg to J. Scott and Deborah D. Kephart, 304 East Dudley Avenue, \$790,000.  
V. Holschuh to Brenda V. Weiss and Karleen Burns, 520 Topping Hill Road, \$265,000.  
K.J. and P. M. Halpin to Wilfred Chabrier and Diana Moran Chabrier, 210 Baker Avenue, \$440,000.  
D. and R. W. Bailey to David and Carolyn Capodanno, 629 Maye Street, \$316,000.  
S. and G. Berry to Stephen C. and Constance B. Jennings, 620 Maye Street, \$321,000.  
R. and D. Roldan to Daniel N. and Jennifer C. Schilidge, 708 Shadowlawn Drive, \$405,000.  
A. F. Patterson and K. Patterson to Jeffrey and Ami Levy, 914 Coolidge Street, \$233,000.  
G. B. and M. J. Dick to Marc E. and

Katherine S. Frankhouser, 1290 Rahway Avenue, \$203,500.

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J. S. and A. Danziger to Arthur G. and Jennifer S. Condodina, 3 Trails End Court, \$475,000.

M. G. and J. A. S. Fuotito to Stephen and Susan Warren, 917 Prospect Street, \$430,000.

D. R. & C. B. Hammel to Marti N. and Catherine Knights, 915 Minisink Way, \$445,000.

R. Balka to Juan C. Aldana, 411 Prosepct Street, \$217,000.

J. A. Muller to Sam P. and Ani K. John, 732 Mountain Avenue, \$245,000.

F. C. Walsh to Brian and Michelle Brennan, 602 Raymond Street, \$365,000.

J. and J. Reis to Michael J. and Renee Delayo, 1103 East Broad Street, \$240,000.

L. A. and M. J. Arcangelo to William F. Kelly, Jr. 574 Pierson Street, \$141,000.

J. F. Leddy, Jr. and H. Leddy to David R. and Maribeth P. Hall, 541 Topping Hill Road, \$280,000.

J. H. Toney to R. A. and E. Shugar, 515 Trinity Place United 3DN, \$174,000.

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MITTEN COLLECTORS...Brownie Troop No. 498 members of Wilson Elementary School in Westfield, will collect new mittens, gloves, scarves, hats, and socks for needy children and adults in New Jersey for their Girl Scout Mitten Tree project. A town-wide collection will be made at the Town Tree Lighting Ceremony in December. Pictured, left to right, are: Allison Sharkey, Samantha Luscombe, Kate Young, and Katherine Geline.

## Wilson Brownie Troop Sets Mitten Tree Project

WESTFIELD — Brownie Troop No. 498 of Wilson Elementary School in Westfield has announced the beginning of the Westfield Girl Scout Mitten Tree project in their school.

The troop will collect warm new gloves, mittens, hats, scarves, and socks for needy children and adults in New Jersey.

Recipients will include St. Joseph's Social Service Center in Elizabeth, St. Claire's Home for Children with AIDS and HIV in Newark, Elizabeth, Jersey City, and Neptune, and

## Jodi Goldberg in Italy For Study Program

WESTFIELD — Jodi Goldberg, a junior government major and history minor at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, is a participant in the college's off-campus study program this fall.

The daughter of Don and Barbara Goldberg of Westfield, Jodi is enrolled in the Syracuse University Program in Florence, Italy. She is a 1996 graduate of Westfield High School.

the Madonna House in Neptune. Donations can be brought to a box in the front hall of Wilson School until Thursday, December 10, and a town-wide collection will also be made at the Westfield tree lighting ceremony in early December.

## Mindy H. Wu Named Scholarship Semifinalist

SCOTCH PLAINS — Mindy H. Wu, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wu of Scotch Plains, was among 14 seniors at The Pingry School's Martinsville campus who were recently named as semifinalists by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC).

The semifinalists are now part of a group of high school students nationwide who distinguished themselves as academically talented and are eligible to continue in the competition for some 7,600 Merit Scholarship awards worth more than \$28 million.

The students entered the 1999 Merit Program as juniors by taking the Preliminary Standard Assessment Test (SAT)/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, which initially screened nearly 1.2 million students from over 20,000 United States high schools.

Those with the highest scores in each state were designated as semifinalists and represent less than 1 percent of each state's total high school graduating classes.

The semifinalists must now fulfill the requirements for advancement to finalist status. These include exhibiting an outstanding high school academic record, receipt of a recommendation by their current school principal or headmaster, and SAT scores which confirm their earlier qualifying performance.

All National Merit finalists then compete for Merit Scholarship awards.

## Electronic Funds Transfer Outlined by AARP Group

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has announced that the United States Treasury Department is encouraging Americans who receive federal government checks to use an option called Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

Under EFT, anyone who receives a monthly government check in the mail can choose to have their money directly deposited into a personal account at a federally insured bank, credit union, or savings and loan association. The federal government is offering EFT to 510,300 New Jersey residents who now receive their checks in the mail.

These residents include anyone who receives federal payments for Social Security, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Railroad Retirement, Veteran's benefits (VA), federal pensions, and federal employees' and contractors' compensation. "The concept of direct deposit is not new," said Nancy Haynes, AARP New Jersey State President. "Many residents are already taking advantage of direct deposit. In New Jersey, 71 percent of Social Security beneficiaries already have their checks directly deposited into their checking or savings accounts," she said.

The Treasury Department claims it saves nearly 41 cents per check using electronic transfer, which along with administrative efficiencies, adds up to about \$100 million

in savings a year.

Under EFT, beneficiaries have four choices. They can do nothing unless notified by the government agency issuing the check; sign up for direct deposit to an existing account or open a new account to receive direct deposit; consider an Electronic Transfer Account (ETA), which is a low-cost account set up by the federal government and scheduled to become available in 1999; or request a "waiver."

Some federal agencies may eventually require beneficiaries to request a "waiver" from using direct deposit or ETA. According to the Treasury Department, beneficiaries may not have to use EFT if: opening an account and using direct deposit costs more than cashing the check; beneficiaries have a physical or mental disability; a bank is not close by; or beneficiaries have difficulty reading or writing English.

While a number of federal agencies have yet to inform beneficiaries of their plans for EFT and waivers, the Social Security Administration is giving Social Security and SSI beneficiaries the option to "do nothing" and continue to receive checks by mail.

Anyone interested in receiving more information about EFT, can write to AARP New Jersey, Forrestal Village, 132 Main Street, Princeton, 08540, or call (609) 987-0744.



GOP HONOR...Senator Donald T. DiFrancesco was recently recognized for his unprecedented fourth-time election as State Senate President during a dinner dance held in his honor by the Mountaineer Republican Club at the Berkeley Plaza in Berkeley Heights. Pictured, left to right, are: Dr. Marilyn Hart, Senator DiFrancesco, and Dona Osieja. Dr. Hart and Ms. Osieja were the Co-Chairwomen of the dinner dance.

## Three-Week Courses Offered During UCC's Winter Session

Union County College (UCC) in Cranford will offer an array of three-week courses during what has traditionally been the winter holiday break at the school.

These intensive courses provide students with the same number of credits they would earn during a regular 15-week semester, according to UCC spokeswoman Georgia Hartnett.

From Tuesday, December 22, through Friday, January 8, 1999, the college will offer 25 of its most popular courses. During the session, in observance of the holidays, no classes will be held on Friday, December 25, or Friday, January 1, 1999.

Winter Session courses will include Introduction to Contemporary Business; Organization and Management; Mass Communications; Principles of Economics I and II; English Composition I and II; Creative Writing, and Music

Appreciation.

Others to be offered are Introduction to Western Civilization I and II; Review of Computational Skills; Basic Skills/Elementary Algebra; Introduction to Mathematical Ideas; Algebra; General Psychology; Beginning Spanish I and II, and Principles of Sociology.

All sections will be offered on the college's Cranford campus. There are no classes scheduled for Saturdays or Sundays during this session.

For information on the Winter Session, please call the college at (908) 709-7500 or visit the Admissions Office on any UCC campus.

## Weavers Guild Plans Holiday Boutique

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Weavers Guild will hold its 12th annual Holiday Boutique on Friday and Saturday, November 21, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, November 22, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 715 Dorian Road in Westfield.

Items offered for sale will include hand-woven household linens, apparel and accessories, pottery, jewelry, and baked goods.

For more information, please call (908) 654-1540.

The Westfield Weavers Guild was formed in 1947 by 12 people interested in weaving. The group has grown to 25 members who meet monthly to study the art of weaving and related fiber crafts.

The purpose of the guild is to establish a cooperative learning environment where there is a free exchange of weaving information and where there is encouragement to improve skills and expand knowledge of weaving.

## Patient Care, Inc. Recognizes November As Home Care Month

WESTFIELD — Patient Care, Inc. of Westfield has joined home care providers across the nation in recognizing November as National Home Care Month.

The theme of this year's event, "Home Care: Partners in Caring," will honor the nurses, home health aides, social workers and therapists who provide quality health care and supportive services within their patient's homes.

Founded in 1975, Patient Care provides hourly or live-in homemaker/home health aide and nursing services. The company serves the tri-state area through a network of community-based branch offices. The Westfield branch is located at 120 Elm Street. For more information, please call (908) 654-5656.

## Workshop for Arts to Share In Town Bank Festivities

WESTFIELD — The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts (NJWA) will participate in the Saturday, November 21, festivities honoring the opening of the Town Bank on South Avenue in Westfield.

Between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., The Music Studio Jazz Band, a division of the NJWA, will perform a variety of jazz and pop selections from the 1940s

through the 1990s at the bank.

The band, directed by NJWA founder Dr. Theodore Schlosberg, includes professional musicians, faculty members and adults and students who currently study at the NJWA.

To reserve the band for an event or for information on becoming a member of the group, please call the NJWA at (908) 789-9696.



AT THE ZOO...Third graders from McGinn Elementary School in Scotch Plains recently visited the Bergen County Zoological Park in Paramus. The trip reinforced the students' study of animals in the school's science curriculum. The children visited the exhibits and attended a lecture on animal survival. Pictured above is Joan Costello with members of her class.

## Local Chamber Orchestra To Assist Children's Hospital

WESTFIELD — The Chamber Orchestra of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts (NJWA), under the direction of Dr. Theodore Schlosberg, will perform at a fundraiser to benefit Children's Specialized Hospital on Saturday, November 21, from 2 to 3 p.m. at the National Guard Armory on Rahway Avenue in Westfield.

Comprised of students, faculty and other area musicians, the ensemble will play a medley of music including jazz, Disney tunes, Broadway show music and popular classical selections.

The Chamber Orchestra will also perform during Westfield's First Night celebration this year at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Broad Street.

The orchestra has performed for service organizations, played at fundraisers for non-profit groups, and appeared at arts festivals in Westfield, Cranford, Union, Metuchen and Somerville.

To engage the Chamber Orchestra for an event, or to become involved as an active player, please call the NJWA at (908) 789-9696 for further information.



GOBBLE, GOBBLE...Some curious turkeys recently trotted their way onto the property of Martha McDonald on Springfield Avenue near Echo Lake Park in Westfield. Visiting the McDonald's for a brief period, they eventually meandered off into the park where it is reported they are hiding out until after Thanksgiving.

## Blood Drives Are Slated For Westfield, Scotch Plains

WESTFIELD - The Blood Center of New Jersey, based in East Orange, has announced that blood drives will take place on Tuesday, November 24, from 6 to 9 p.m. at Masonic Atlas Pythagoras, 1011 Central Avenue, Westfield, and Saturday, November 28, from 8 a.m. to noon, at Bagel Trek, Inc., 1742 East 2nd Street, Scotch Plains.

The Blood Center is also looking for people willing to help sponsor a blood drive in their place of business, religious organization, or community group, particularly in December and January.

Donors must be 18. Seventeen-year-

olds may donate with parental permission. There is no upper age limit for donors provided those over 65 have donated within the last two years, or have a doctor's note.

Donors should know their Social Security number and bring a signed form of identification. People with cold or flu symptoms should wait until they are feeling better before donating, and there is a 72-hour deferral for dental work, including routine teeth cleaning.

Those who have traveled outside of the United States recently should call the blood center for eligibility criteria.

For more information or to sign up for a blood drive, please call the blood center at (800) BLOOD NJ (256-6365) or for information on planning a blood drive, call (800) 652-5663, Extension No. 156.

## Jerseyaires Schedule Two Weekend Shows

The Rahway Valley Jerseyaires Chorus, the local chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America, Inc., will present its 51st annual barbershop show, "Brother, Can You Spare A Dime?" this weekend.

Performances are scheduled for Saturday, November 21, at 8 p.m. and Sunday, November 22, at 2 p.m. in Rahway High School, 1012 Madison Avenue in Rahway. Tickets for both shows cost \$12, and \$15 at the door. For children 12 years old and under, the cost is \$5.

For program information, please call Show Chairman Ray Walker at (732) 251-2326, or Joe Weiss at (908) 486-5218. For ticket information, please call Charles De Agazio at (732) 494-3580. For information on joining the organization, please call (908) 235-7188 or (908) 486-5218.

## Women for Women Sponsors Counseling

Women for Women of Union County is a non-profit agency that serves greater Union County, providing short-term counseling services for area women and their families of all ages and socioeconomic status.

The group's office is located at 511 North Avenue in Garwood, but counseling is also available in counselors' offices throughout the area.

Counseling involves a confidential meeting between a licensed counselor and a client, for the purpose of resolving a specific problem or discussing a client's conflict.

Counseling addresses issues such as parenting, separation and divorce, interpersonal relationships and specific issues that contribute to a client's crisis or dilemma, according to Women for Women spokeswoman Ellen Radin.

Sessions may be of brief duration or continue for up to six months. Fees are based on a sliding scale and are determined by an individual's ability to pay, Ms. Radin said.

For more information, please call (908) 232-5787 to initiate a request for service.

Other services provided by Women for Women include support groups, monthly community education workshops, and referrals to professionals for brief consultation in a specific area.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION UNION COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-2935-976

### CIVIL ACTION

### NOTICE TO REDEEM

FUNB Custodian for DH Associates, Plaintiff(s), v. Walter Joseph Czerepuszko and Gerorgette Czerepuszko, his wife; Christine Frances; Irving Weintraub and Mahiter Weintraub, his wife; County of Union, Defendant(s).

TO: Christine Frances. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that an order made on the 13th day of November, 1998, the Superior Court Fixed the 15th day of January, 1999, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon, prevailing time, at the Office of the Tax Collector of the City of Elizabeth, located at City of Elizabeth, City Hall, Winfield Scott Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey, as the time and place when and where you may pay to the plaintiff the amount so found due for principal and interest on its certificate of tax sale as follows:

Lot 801, Block 4, on the tax duplicate of the City of Elizabeth. Total amount required to redeem is \$13,657.94, together with interest from April 24, 1998 and costs.

And that unless, at the same time and place, you or one of you redeem by paying the aforesaid sum so found due to plaintiff, then you, and each of you shall be debarred and foreclosed of and from all right and equity of redemption of, in and to the lands and premises above set out and described in the complaint and every part thereof, and that the plaintiff be vested with an absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance in fee simple in said lands and premises.

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding, redemption shall be permitted until the entry of final judgment including the whole of the last date upon which judgment is entered.

DEBORAH FELDSTEIN, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiff ALLOCCA & PELLEGRINO 4 Century Drive Parsippany, New Jersey 07054 1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$46.92

### PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD Date Adopted: November 12, 1998

Public Notice is hereby given that the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service or extraordinary, unspecifiable service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it is available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board.

RESOLUTION NO.: 1314-98 (Amending Resolution No. 685A-98) AWARDED TO: Garrubbo & Romankow, Esq., 53 Cardinal Drive, Westfield, New Jersey.

SERVICES: Providing additional legal services for assistance with various legal matters at Runnells Specialized Hospital and appeals with the New Jersey Department of Health.

AMOUNT: In an amount of \$15,000, for a new total amount not to exceed \$50,000. Elizabeth Genievich Clerk of the Board 1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$24.48



SNUGGLES NEEDS A HOME... People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a pet adoption event this Saturday, November 21, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the PetsMart store, 1022 Route No. 22, East, at West End Avenue in North Plainfield. Among the pets available for adoption will be Snuggles, a five-month-old kitten. He is a gray and black tiger stripe with a white chest and described as affectionate. To adopt a pet, or for information, please call (908) 688-1073 or visit the organization's Web site on the Internet at www.petfinder.org/shelters/pfa.html. For low cost spay/neuter information, please call the People for Animals Clinic at (908) 964-6887.

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RESOLUTION NO.: 1313-98 AWARDED TO: The Consortium, 227 Fairfield Road, Suite 210, Fairfield, New Jersey.

SERVICES: To provide physical therapy services to the patients/residents of Runnells Specialized Hospital.

AMOUNT: In an amount not to exceed \$61,000. M. Elizabeth Genievich Clerk of the Board 1T - 11/19/98, The Leader Fee: \$23.97

## Appreciation Day

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