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HAVING FUN WITH THE BUNNY...The Easter Bunny, portrayed by Ed Renfree, is joined on the bench in Mindowaskin Park by Robert and Elaine Ciardullo during the Westfield Lions Club's 64th annual Easter Egg Hunt held last Saturday.



OH WHEN WILL THE (EGG) HUNT BEGIN?...These Westfield youngsters appear anxious for the start of the running (or walking) of the 64th annual Westfield Lions Club's Easter Egg Hunt. The hunt was held at Mindowaskin Park in the center of town.

Mayor Connelly of Fanwood Anticipates Second Run for Congressional Seat in 2000

By SUZETTE F. STALKER
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Fanwood Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly announced this week that she will not seek a second term in November, saying she did not feel it fair to her constituents to run for reelection while anticipating another bid for Congress in the year 2000.



Mayor Connelly

"It was a very difficult decision but the right one for me and for the people of Fanwood," Mrs. Connelly revealed in a statement issued Monday afternoon. Mrs. Connelly was elected to her inaugural term as Mayor in 1995.

Mayor Connelly, who is only the third woman and the third Democrat to be elected as Mayor of Fanwood since the borough was founded more than a century ago, challenged Republican Congressman Bob Franks for his Seventh District seat last year. Though she didn't win, she did capture 46 percent of the vote.

The Seventh District comprises all or sections of 34 communities in Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Essex Counties. In Union County, 17 towns are included in the heavily

Republican district, among them Westfield and Mountainside.

"I weighed the pros and cons," Mrs. Connelly said of her decision not to pursue another term as Mayor. "Certainly there are no guarantees in either race, and I decided to dedicate all of my attention to forming an exploratory committee to evaluate the feasibility of another Congressional run," she remarked.

Mrs. Connelly's public career has spanned nearly two decades. Prior to

her election as Mayor, she was a Fanwood councilwoman for nine years, during which time she also held the positions of Council President and Police Commissioner.

She has also been a member of the Fanwood Planning Board and the Environmental Commission. She is Vice President of the Union County League of Mayors and immediate Past President of the New Jersey Association of Elected Women Officials. Mrs. Connelly retired last year

after 28 years with AT&T.

Congressman Franks, who lives in Berkeley Heights, has been a member of the House of Representatives since 1992, having succeeded former longtime Congressman Matthew P. Rinaldo. Mr. Franks is currently serving his fourth term.

Prior to entering Congress, he represented the 22nd Legislative District as a state Assemblyman from 1979 to 1992. He was Republican State Chairman from 1988 to 1992.

Westfield Resident, Colleen Sexton, Savors Lead Role In Broadway Musical, *Jekyll and Hyde*

By MICHELLE H. LePOIDEVIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Opportunity knocked and Colleen Sexton of Westfield answered when she was stepped up to the lead role of Lucy for the Saturday, April 3, Easter matinee production of *Jekyll and Hyde* on Broadway.

Rehearsing as a "swing" or understudy for five different parts, Ms. Sexton was given the most dynamic role out of two leads.

A tale of romance and the struggle between the forces of good and evil, *Jekyll and Hyde* was penned by Robert Louis Stevenson. Following a failed medical experiment by Dr. Jekyll, the scientist gives birth to his evil alter ego, Edward Hyde.

Ms. Sexton described the role of Lucy as that of a prostitute on the East end of London. The character, who she describes as a "sweet woman, who has grown up way too fast," years to make a life for herself and escape her profession.

Praising the *Jekyll and Hyde* en-

semble cast which accompanied her Saturday performance, Ms. Sexton exclaimed, "They build up your confidence so much!"

Ms. Sexton revealed that she was informed on March 27 that she was to replace the original actress who plays Lucy. She explained that a swing will commonly fill in for an actor or actress when he or she takes a vacation day or sick day.

She stated that she was "very nervous," when she was told about her role, but viewed her performance as

very successful and rewarding.

The actress signed on with *Jekyll and Hyde* in July, 1998 after she underwent three auditions. She was told about the available role of "swing" from her manager in New York City. She was later given the part.

Reflecting upon her childhood, Ms. Sexton recalled that she began taking dance lessons when she was in second grade. At first, she thought she was just a dancer.

As a student at Edison Intermedi-

ate School, Musical Director and Voice Coach, Sharon Reynolds took Ms. Sexton under her wing and urged her to take voice lessons. The actress later became a part of ensembles at Edison School. She was more than just a dancer. Now she could add voice to the list.

At Westfield High School, Ms. Sexton added drama as another talent to her repertoire. Westfield High School Drama Coach, Joseph Nierle, who has also been credited by Ms.

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Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce Begins Preparations for 'Spring Fling' Celebration

The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its fifth annual "Spring Fling Street Fair" in downtown Westfield on Sunday, April 18, from noon to 6 p.m.

Admission is free and will include all-day musical entertainment, nearly 300 craft exhibitors, and children's activities. Twenty food specialists and some local restaurants will offer some

of their cuisine to festival-goers.

The stage area will be located at the corner of East Broad and Elm Streets. Scheduled entertainers include children's storyteller Kathryn Weidener, the Zucchini Brothers, described as "the Beatles of children's music," and jazz group "One More Once."

Disk jockey and singer Bob Mele will coordinate the entertainment, which kicks off at noon from the stage area. The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts will present musical entertainment and demonstrations throughout the day.

Musician Tim Janis of Maine will perform light instrumentals near Prospect Street, while The Mystic Warriors, who are South American musicians from the Andes, will play near Quimby and Elm Streets.

A "Kid's Expo" will be held along East Broad Street near Prospect Street. There will be pony rides and

a petting zoo in the parking area of PNC Bank at North and East Broad Streets.

"Ultimate Safari Rides," featuring a lifelike, radio-controlled, mechanical tiger and elephant for children to sit on and ride, is planned as well. There will also be a Moonwalk, temporary tattoos, face painting and children's crafts.

Food selections will include London Broil sandwiches, kebobs, butterfly fries, nachos, sausage and pepper rolls, gyros, zeppoles, Teriyaki Barbecue, Greek foods, calzone and Italian sausage, along with fried Oreos, cotton candy, ice cream, fresh fruit Smoothies and Pennsylvania Dutch funnel cakes.

More than 20 local businesses will be holding special sales during the event. Among them are Mary Lou's Memorabilia on Elm Street, which sells antique jewelry, vintage acces-

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Four School Board Candidates Gearing Up For 'Meet the Candidates' Forum This Monday

By MICHELLE H. LePOIDEVIN
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader

Four zealous candidates have their eyes on three available seats on the Westfield School Board. They will have the opportunity to declare exactly why they should fill those seats at a "Meet the Candidates" this Monday, April 12, at 7:45 p.m. in the auditorium at Edison Intermediate School.

Sponsored by the Westfield Area League of Women Voters and the Westfield Parent-Teacher Council, the forum will enable citizens to ask the candidates about their objectives

for the education of Westfield's children.

Annamarie Puleio and Arlene Gardner are both seeking second terms to the board. While newcomers, William Wallace and Genevieve Weber are asking voters to give them their first shot at serving on the Board of Education.

The third available seat was occupied by Susan Jacobson who announced that she would not seek reelection to the board after serving for a record 12 years.

The approximate schedule of events for the forum includes opening remarks and introduction from moderator Denise Ricci. Ms. Ricci is currently the President of the Parent-Teacher Council.

At 7:50 p.m., Moderator Louise Ballard, a Hillside resident, will introduce the four candidates and explain the forum's essential rules to audience members. The candidates will be seated in ballot order.

Opening statements will be given at 7:55 p.m. by each candidate in ballot order. The nominees will be limited to two minutes each for these statements.

At 8:03 p.m., the candidates will deliver their prepared answers to a question they have received in advance from the Parent-Teacher Coun-

cil Board. The candidates will respond in reverse ballot order with a two-minute limit.

This question, which has been posed by the Council, is: "The Board of Education has included in its budget for 1999 an amount of \$264,093 for new computers and teacher in-service training in their use for fourth, fifth grades and Middle School classrooms. Do you agree with this expenditure? Why are computers essential to our classrooms? Please give one or two concrete examples of how you envisage technology being used in the classroom."

"As a Board Member, how can you monitor whether computers are being appropriately and fully used, in order to ensure that they don't become a wasted expense?"

At 8:11 p.m., the four candidates will have the opportunity to respond in ballot order to a question they received in advance from the Westfield Area League of Women Voters. The candidates will still be limited to two minutes for their answers.

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Westfield HS Students To Attend Classes On Saturday, April 24

Westfield Public Schools will remain closed tomorrow, April 9, the last day of Spring Break. Contrary to the published school calendar, the March snow day will not be made up on April 9.

Instead, Westfield High School students will attend school for a 4-1/2 hour session on Saturday, April 24. Students from kindergarten through grade 8 will attend a half-day on Monday, June 21.



SPRING IS IN THE AIR...The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its fifth Annual Spring Fling on Sunday, April 18. Pictured above is a scene from last year's festivities.

Newspapers Face Fees, Specs For Vending Units

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indirectly by the failure of computer hardware or software or any device containing a computer processor to accurately or properly recognize, calculate, display, sort or otherwise process dates or times."

"The potential result (of Y2K lawsuits) is that numerous tort claims may be asserted against the state, counties, municipalities, and public authorities and agencies, for everything ranging from the potential failure of traffic signals, alarm systems, water and sewer systems and communications systems, to the malfunctioning of computers containing financial information [and other records]," according to a copy of a resolution put before the council.

Given the fact Y2K problems are isolated to next year, Mayor Jardim said he would favor a resolution supporting the state legislation.

The recreation related legislation, though, drew mixed reactions from the council, including Mayor Jardim and Councilman Goldman.

An attorney himself, Councilman Goldman said he was not in support of the bills.

"We might as well gut the (state's) Tort Claims Act," he said.

The bill would remove liability from towns for their failure to provide supervision of public recreational facilities. Municipalities, however, would not be exempt from litigation for failure to protect its citizens against "gross negligence" by not addressing dangerous conditions evident at its recreational facilities.

The legislation, Assembly Bill No. 2683, has received support from the Sub-

urban Joint Insurance Fund (JIF), of which Westfield is a member.

The legislation, according to a letter to the council from Suburban JIF Executive Director David N. Grubb, was actually aimed at towns that have public beaches and boardwalks.

The third state legislation, Assembly Bill No. 179 and Senate Bill No. 618, would amend the New Jersey Employer-Employee Relations Act to prohibit a public employer from implementing the "last, best offer" during contract negotiations. The New Jersey State League of Municipalities strongly opposes the legislation.

Town Administrator Edward A. Gottko said the town has never had to make such an offer in its negotiations with its bargaining units.

"It doesn't impact us (the town) one way or another," he said.

Mayor Jardim, though, said he would like to support the League by opposing the action through a resolution.

He said it was important to support the state-wide efforts of the League.

On another matter, Councilman Albano, who chairs the Building and Town Property Committee, said the committee has supported an ordinance in town to prohibit the feeding of geese at Mindowaskin Park. The ordinance was created in an attempt to curb the abundance of droppings left by the geese in the park.

In addition, Mr. Albano said a Border collie should be used to chase away the geese. He said the cost of that proposal would be discussed with officials.

Board Members Installed By Girl Scout Council

WESTFIELD - The Washington Rock Girl Scout Council (WRGSC) recently installed new members to its Board of Directors at the annual meeting.

Named to the Board was Second Vice President, Sister Percylee Hart of Scotch Plains. Sister Percylee is the Principal of Union Catholic Regional High School in Scotch Plains and serves on the Strategic Planning Team of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Secondary Schools.

She also serves as the Chairwoman of the WRGSC Personnel Committee.

The following members were named to at-large seats on the board: Vivien Abratis of Plainfield, Michael S. Bonaccorso of Clark, Suzanne Bousquet of Scotch Plains, Donna Dolce of Fanwood, James Fawcett of

Scotch Plains, Thomas R. Hockswender of Scotch Plains, Adeline Kellett of Cranford, Wayne Otowski of South Plainfield, Rose Phelan of Scotch Plains, and Dr. Gloria M. Rodriguez of Rahway.

Richard Lukas Named To Honor Society

SCOTCH PLAINS - Richard Lukas, the son of Roger and Beverly Heinrich, was recently inducted into the Gettysburg College chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society.

Richard is a junior at Gettysburg. He graduated Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1996.

To be eligible, students must be juniors or seniors who have completed at least four courses in political science; acquired at least a 3.0 grade point average in these courses; and rank in the top third of their class.



PANSY PLANTERS...Members of the Garden Club of Westfield complete the spring planting of pansies in the town planters, located at the corners of Elm and Broad Streets. Pictured, left to right, are: kneeling, Nancy Roff, and standing, Ruth Paul, Norma Degener, Jane Bischoff, Irene Ilaria, Nita McHugh, Flip Sheehan, Jennie Williams, Jeanne Glass, George Bidgood and Mary Ann Malloy.

BOE Candidates Gear Up For Open Debate Forum

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been a long-time supporter of the Strategic Plan.

She seeks to bring more technology into Westfield classrooms, but to specifically find technology which will enhance the teaching process. Ms. Puleio also hopes to find solutions which will help to ease the enrollment boom in the school system.

Ms. Gardner, who resides on Carleton Road, has served as the Chairwoman for the board's Policies Committee.

She has stated that she hopes to "maintain and improve the quality of education in Westfield." She cited good teacher selection, curriculum review, professional development and benchmarks for evaluating what students have learned as paths to good education.

Mr. Wallace, who resides on Warren

Street, was appointed to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Capital Projects. He had worked with the school board to research projects in the recent \$11.7 million bond.

A 15-year employee at Chapdelaine & Company, Mr. Wallace believes that his experience in the area of finance would make him an ideal replacement for Mrs. Jacobson.

Miss Weber, who resides on Barchester Way, is a 1994 graduate of Westfield High School. She credits being a product of the Westfield school system as a perfect example of why would be a boon to the board.

Miss Weber, who believes she would bring a "new generation to the board," is a Sales Planning Manager for data networking products at Lucent Technologies.

Colleen Sexton Savors Broadway Lead Role

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Sexton as another enormous influence on her rising career, gave her the encouragement and training she needed to become an actress.

Both Ms. Reynolds and Mr. Nierle were members of the *Jekyll and Hyde* audience on April 3, witnessing with pride the musical and theatrical talent of Ms. Sexton, their former student.

Mr. Nierle told *The Westfield Leader*, "It was mesmerizing to see her (Ms. Sexton) up there." He stated that he was impressed by her confidence. "It brought tears to my eyes," he added.

"She was a student who never took herself too seriously," stated Mr. Nierle, while adding that Ms. Sexton took time to develop her talent as an actress and always listened to directions.

"She never assumed she knew more than she did. I really think she is going to have her own show someday," boasted Mr. Nierle. "It was like watching your own kid up there."

Ms. Sexton, who received a standing ovation for her Saturday performance,

certainly made her former teacher proud.

Past credits for Ms. Sexton include a recording album/musical television series in Europe. She revealed that when the series, which was anticipated to be a success in both Germany and the United States, had failed, she decided to return to Westfield.

"I came home at the right time," the actress reflected.

Shortly thereafter, she found the success and recognition she longed for when she joined *Jekyll and Hyde* in July and later as the lead in April 3 performance.

"I couldn't have made a better decision," she observed.

Ms. Sexton has also appeared in *Singing in the Rain* at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, as Maggie in *A Chorus Line*, and as the Narrator in *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. *Jekyll and Hyde* is currently being performed at the Plymouth Theatre, 236 West 45th Street, in New York. For ticket information, please call TeleCharge at (212) 239-6200.

Chamber Begins Plans For Spring Fling Event

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sories and collectibles; Decorating Den, a store offering items for the home, and Classic Thyme on East Broad Street, which features in-home cooking classes.

Original crafts will also be for sale, such as designer and hand-painted clothing, toys, hand-thrown pottery, sculpture, puppy and gator puppets, Raggedy Anne dolls, handmade furniture and decorative pieces for the home, handmade soaps and bath products.

There will also be folding chairs, rockers and benches, as well as hand-carved, painted wooden mirrors. A wheat-weaving demonstration is also planned.

Several artists will sell their original watercolors, oil paintings and photography, and craftspeople will feature origi-

nal jewelry designs, both traditional and contemporary. An array of non-profit and service organizations are once again expected to participate in this year's "Spring Fling."

"Admission and parking are free and we're inviting everyone to enjoy a terrific day of family fun in our beautiful downtown," commented Debbie Schmidt, Executive Director of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

Some exhibit space is still available. For more information, please call the Advertising Alliance at (908) 996-3036, or the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021. The raindate will be Sunday, April 25.

Lancaster, Ltd. to Raise Funds for Breast Cancer

WESTFIELD - Lancaster, Ltd., a Hallmark Gold Crown Store, will participate in the fight against breast cancer by offering "Cards for the Cure," a free, specially-designed card created by Hallmark artist Paula Krekovich, a breast cancer survivor.

Through the campaign, Hallmark Gold Crown Stores, including Lancaster, Ltd., will donate a minimum of \$1 million to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation for research, education, screening and treatment programs.

Westfield shoppers can help raise even more money with every Hallmark card they buy at a Hallmark Gold Crown store between Sunday, April 18, and Sunday, May 2. The more cards that are sold, the

more dollars that can be raised, according to Michelle Horton, a spokeswoman for Hallmark Cards, Inc.

Costumers who purchase any Hallmark greeting card at a Hallmark Gold Crown store during the "Cards for the Cure" program will receive the free card.

The first in a series designed exclusively for the annual "Cards for the Cure" program, the card features a detachable postcard with complementing art, and a special message about the importance of yearly mammograms and monthly breast self-examinations in the early detection of breast cancer.

The recipient of the card can then detach the postcard and send it to someone they care about, Ms. Horton stated.

Charles Swicker Selected As Naval Commander

WESTFIELD - The United States Navy has announced that Charles "Chip" Swicker, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Swicker of Westfield, has been selected to command his own ship.

He is currently serving in a Joint Duty assignment at the Pentagon, as a Program Integrator for the Navy Theater Wide TBMD Program in the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization.

Commander Swicker graduated from Westfield High School in 1973, and from Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire in 1977. He subsequently spent five years aboard large oceangoing sailing ships, including the clipper schooner *Pride of Baltimore* and the research vessel *Westward*.

Since receiving his commission from Officer Candidate School in 1982, he has served on the Kidd-class guided missile destroyer *Scott*, the nuclear cruiser *Virginia*, and Aegis cruisers *Philippine Sea*

and *Monterey*. He completed his Executive Officer tour aboard the *Monterey* in the fall of 1997.

In 1990, then-Lieutenant Swicker received a Master of Science Degree in Scientific and Technical Intelligence from the Naval Postgraduate School, where his classified thesis received the United States Naval Institute Award.

In 1995, he earned a second master's degree at the Naval War College, graduating with Highest Distinction and receiving the J. William Middendorf II Award for his Advanced Research Project, "Theater Ballistic Missile Defense From the Sea: Issues for the Maritime Component Commander."

This project has recently been published as the 14th monograph in the Naval War College's "Newport Papers" series.

Commander Swicker and his wife, Gayle, reside in Vienna, Virginia.

WESTFIELD VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUAD BLOTTER

Statistics for March 1999

In-Town Emergency Calls:	153
Out-of-Town Mutual Aid Calls:	10
Non Emergency Calls:	2
Total Calls:	168
Total Hours Out:	133:34
Total Volunteer Hours:	335:38

Top 10 Response Categories

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Respiratory | 6. Unconscious |
| 2. Other | 7. Motor Vehicle Accident |
| 3. Falls | 8. Head/Neck Injury |
| 4. General Illness/Weakness | 9. Psychological |
| 5. Cardiac Pain | 10. Spinal Injury |

WESTFIELD POLICE BLOTTER

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

• A wallet containing \$170 in cash, a credit card and credentials belonging to a juvenile was reported stolen from a book bag at Westfield High School.

• Two Rahway residents, both employees of an East Broad Street eatery, reported the theft of a coat and a sweater from the basement of the establishment where they work.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

• An automatic teller machine Visa check card and a cellular power cord valued at approximately \$25 were reported stolen from a vehicle on Cumberland Street.

• A total of \$166 in cash was reported stolen from an unlocked 1995 Chevrolet van on Downer Street.

• Police reported that \$8000 worth of various types of jewelry was stolen from a Kimball Turn residence.

• A motor vehicle was burglarized on Cumberland Street, authorities said. Someone had rummaged through the vehicle but nothing was discovered missing.

• A leather jacket valued at \$200 was reported stolen from a residence on East Broad Street. The homeowner discovered someone had pushed in a pane on a door window and unlocked the back door, according to police.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

• A Westfield resident reported being assaulted on Park Street by two juveniles known to him and with whom he had argued previously. The victim sustained a black eye, according to police, who said no charges had been filed in connection with the incident.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

• Police reported that a wallet containing \$80 in cash and a credit card were stolen from a vehicle parked in a Hillcrest Avenue driveway. A second vehicle had pry marks on it but had not been entered.

• An unlocked vehicle in the 600 block of Downer Street was entered and several items were removed, including a cellular telephone, a sweatshirt and a T-shirt. The total value of the missing items was \$127.

• A Breeze Knoll Drive resident reported that two unidentified intruders entered his residence while he and his wife were on the second floor of their home watching television.

The homeowner said the suspects, upon being confronted, fled the premises. The intruders were described as two males wearing dark clothing.

• A Marlin Court resident reported a

home burglary in which the front door had been forced open. Police said items had been taken from the residence, though authorities had not yet received a list.

• A Unami Terrace resident reported that someone broke off the handle to a front entrance storm door in an unsuccessful attempt to enter his home, according to police.

• In separate incidents, two residents of Oak Avenue reported that the rear windows of their motor vehicles were smashed. The first case involved a 1994 Dodge, while the second involved a 1991 Honda.

• A motorist was issued a ticket for careless driving and for exhibiting unclear license plates after allegedly driving over the grass area of a courtyard at a Forest Avenue apartment complex, authorities said.

• A 15-year-old Edison resident was charged with burglary and theft after he allegedly removed eight cigars from an East Broad Street residence, according to police. He was turned over to the custody of his mother.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

• A Livingston Street resident reported that someone broke a side window on her parked car.

• A Carleton Road resident reported that someone removed the driver's side mirror from his 1986 Ford, which was parked in front of his residence.

• A Cumberland Street resident reported the theft of a brown leather jacket valued at \$85 from a 1986 Buick parked in front of her residence.

• A Jefferson Avenue resident reported that the rear and driver's side windows of her vehicle were smashed. Police believe a large rock found nearby was used to damage the vehicle, which was parked in front of the victim's home.

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

• A police officer recovered a 1984 Oldsmobile with its lights on and parked beside a curb on Boulevard. The vehicle had been stolen from Massachusetts Street without the owner's knowledge, authorities said. The officer made the discovery after receiving a report about a suspicious vehicle in the area.

MONDAY, APRIL 5

• Three tires were punctured on a 1997 Nissan at an Elm Street doughnut shop.

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

• A Summit Avenue resident reported the theft of a bicycle, described as a dark green, Giant model 870 valued at \$700, near the Gary Kehler Stadium on Rahway Avenue.

WESTFIELD FIRE BLOTTER

MONDAY, MARCH 29

• Firemen responded to an activation of a carbon monoxide detector on Austin Street. Upon determining there were increased levels of carbon monoxide in the home, the resident was removed from the home and the gas company was contacted.

Upon further investigation, it was found that a chimney flue was plugged. The resident was alerted when the alarm on the detector was activated.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

• A fire broke out in dryer at the "Y" on Clark Street. Maintenance workers, it was reported, placed wet towels that had been used for floor stripping into the gas fired dryer and the heat distilled any remaining product and ignited in the dryer.

The maintenance department removed the burned material from the machine and wet down the materials with a garden hose.

A moderate to heavy smoke condition was flushed in the basement area and first floor. Fans were used to clear the smoky condition.

• Firefighters responded to a report of a mulch fire next to a home on Grove Street. The fire was out by the time the department arrived. The area was wet down with a household garden hose.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

• Firemen were called to assist police at an accident scene at North Avenue and Elm Street. Firemen used bolt cutters to cut battery cables and used a substance to absorb small anti-freeze spill on the road surface.

• Responding to a report of a fire in a building on Cayuga Way, firefighters found a child's plastic kitchen set toy burning on a tiled floor in the basement. A bed cover had been placed on top of the toy in an attempt by one of the occupants

of the home to smother the fire.

The resident sustained burns to his right foot and was transported by the Westfield Rescue Squad to the hospital for treatment.

The family indicated that a cigarette left on the toy caused the fire.

The toy and the bed cover were removed and extinguished outside the single-family dwelling. A fan was used to remove heavy smoke conditions from the basement and light smoke from the other areas of the home.

Fire damage was limited to the toy, bedding and the basement tile floor. Smoke damage, though, was throughout the house.

• A report was received of a gas odor in specialty food store on Springfield Avenue. Upon investigation, fire officials found a drain cleaner had been put in kitchen drains in the bakery store section of the business.

A pressure fan was used to vent the building and the drains were flushed with water flow.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

• The department responded to a fire alarm on Orenda Circle. The fire, though, turned out to be burned popcorn in a microwave oven.

• Firemen assisted the Animal Control officials in removing a baby raccoon from a tree on Rahway Avenue. A 24-foot ladder was needed to complete the rescue.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

• Firefighters responded to an interior alarm at the Jefferson Elementary School on Boulevard at around 10:45 a.m. Upon an investigation, the maintenance department was contacted to shut down the school's boilers due to excessive heat.

Smoke ejectors were used along with natural ventilation to cool the boiler room and crawl space area.



SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION...Students from Jacquelin Stotler's third grade class at Franklin Elementary School in Westfield display their three-dimensional community project that they made for their maps and communities studies.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOARD OF EDUCATION WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education, Westfield, New Jersey, in the Board of Education Office, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, 07090, at 2:00 P.M. (Prevailing Time) on April 20, 1999 at which time bids will be opened and read aloud for:

"ROOF REPLACEMENT AND RELATED WORK AT JEFFERSON SCHOOL, R2-003"

Plans and Specifications will be available on Friday, April 9, 1999.

Plans, Specifications, form of bid, contract and bond for the proposed work and other Contract Documents thereto, as prepared by M. Disko Associates, are on file in their offices at 493 Lehigh Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083, and in the offices of the Board of Education, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, and may be examined at the office of M. Disko Associates during business hours.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Plans and Specifications by the Engineer, upon proper notice and payment of a check for Fifty (\$50.00) (dollars), payable to M. DISKO ASSOCIATES, said cost being the reproduction price of the documents and is not returnable.

Proposal forms (as contained in the Specifications) provide for the awarding of all the

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work to the lowest qualified bidder under a single contract.

The guaranty accompanying the bid shall be given in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid and may be given at the option of the bidder by a Certified Check, or Bid Bond from a reputable insurance company.

All bidders must be prequalified in accordance with Chapter 105, Laws of 1962, as amended by Chapter 189, Laws of 1968 as set forth in Instructions to Bidders.

Labor in connection with the project shall be paid not less than wages as listed in Prevailing Wage Rate Determination, pursuant to Chapter 150 of the New Jersey Laws of 1963, or the U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determinations, whichever are higher for each class of labor.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of PL 1975, C. 127. (NJAC 17:27)

Bids may be held by the Board of Education for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids if in its judgment the public interest will be served by so doing.

By order of the Board of Education, Westfield, New Jersey.

Robert A. Berman Board Secretary 1 T - 4/8/99, The Leader Fee: \$58.14

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Public Hours April 13, 9am-noon
Wednesday & Thursday April 13, 1pm-9pm
Friday-Half Price Day April 14&15, 9am-9pm
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SHE WON'T BITE...Sara Moore is introduced to the Easter Bunny, otherwise known as Dorris Terry, by her mother, Mary Beth Moore, during last Saturday's Fanwood Easter Egg Party in the Borough. Ms. Terry has played the part of the Bunny for over 30 years.



AND THEIR OFF...Young Fanwoodians begin their quest for Easter eggs during last Saturday's Easter Egg Party, sponsored by the Fanwood Recreation Department.

Mayor, Council Candidates Picked By Fanwood Dems

By DEBORAH MADISON
Specially Written for The Times

The Fanwood Democratic Club's annual General Meeting drew more than 30 residents to the LaGrande Park Recreation Building Tuesday night, where they met and listened to various local candidates running for office this year.

Council President William E. Populus, Jr. will be the Democratic candidate for the Mayor's seat. On Monday, Democratic Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly formally announced her decision not to seek a second term, citing an anticipated second run for Congress in the year 2000.

Mr. Populus, a longtime borough resident, is currently serving his second full term as a councilman, having first been appointed to fill a vacancy on the governing body in 1993. He was elected to his first full term the following year.

The candidate currently chairs the council's Administration and Finance Committee, and three years ago was named as Fanwood's first representative to the Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority.

He has also been successful in bringing thousands of dollars in grant money to Fanwood, for playgrounds and downtown improvements.

Through his work with the Fanwood Community Assessment Committee, Councilman Populus has

designed a plan for the borough's future, in the hopes of achieving an "All-American City" designation. Copies of this plan are available at Borough Hall.

If elected, Mr. Populus said he plans on running the same type of "open government" that Mayor Connelly maintained. He also pledged to continue pursuing grants for the municipality to ensure that taxes remain low.

Patricia Plante and Adele Kenny are the Democratic choices for the two open council seats currently held by Republicans Louis C. Jung and Stuart S. Kline. Mrs. Plante, who has lived in Fanwood for the past decade, ran for a seat on the governing body two years ago, but lost in a close race.

She remarked that she is enthusiastic and confident she can win this time. The candidate, who has served on many committees over the years, stated that she looks forward to supporting Mr. Populus and "becoming part of a great team."

Ms. Kenny is well known in Fanwood for having developed the poetry reading series at the Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center, formerly known as the Carriage House, on Watson Road. She has lived in Fanwood for 25 years and considers this to be her hometown now.

She expressed her deep desire to be involved in service to the community.

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Fanwood Council Adopts \$5.6 Million Budget; Focus Groups Recommended for Dean Oil Site

By SUZETTE F. STALKER
Specially Written for The Times

During a special meeting preceding its Monday night agenda session, the Fanwood Borough Council formally adopted its municipal budget of \$5.6 million for 1999, along with several ordinances which were also introduced last month.

The spending plan, unveiled on March 3, is the third in five years to reflect a 0 percent increase in the municipal portion of residents' tax bills. It calls for \$3,069,559 in real estate taxes, with the remainder to be funded through grants.

Residents will continue to pay \$1.40 per \$100 of assessed value on their homes. The average house in Fanwood is assessed at \$83,000, with a market value of between \$190,000 and \$210,000. Flat budgets were also delivered in 1995 and again in 1997.

Officials adopted their 1999 capital ordinance, which reallocates funds left over from previous street reconstruction projects, to be used toward resurfacing of Waldon Road and Old South Avenue, East. In addition, a bond ordinance was adopted appropriating \$533,500 and authorizing issuance of \$506,825 in bonds for general improvements to the municipality.

Among the planned projects are road reconstruction and resurfacing, curb and sidewalk repair and replacement, borough property, sanitary sewer and storm water improvements, and the proposed expansion of an existing park building for use as a multi-purpose facility.

Also adopted were two salary ordinances, one covering non-union employees and the other for members of Fanwood's Department of Public Works.

An ordinance approving the borough's participation in the Union County Improvement Authority's capital lease program for purchase of various types of equipment also received a green light from the council, as did a decree waiving permit fees for disabled individuals to acquire certain construction permits.

Funding for planned street renovations prompted questions from several audience members, including two Pleasant Avenue residents who argued against a proposal to put sidewalks on their street.

Richard Keller, who has lived on the street more than 30 years, said there have been no pedestrian injuries caused by vehicles on Pleasant Avenue in his memory, and argued that to install sidewalks, "you have to cut down a lot of trees that make the street very attractive."

Another Pleasant Avenue resident, Robert Buck, stated the real problem involves motorists who travel around a bend in the road too quickly. He recommended that rumble strips be installed at the beginning and end of

the curve to encourage drivers to slow down, and that tickets be issued to speeders.

Borough engineer Richard Marsden said plans for placing sidewalks along Pleasant Avenue originated in 1994 out of concern for children walking to and from several nearby schools and Forest Road Park. Although design work was recently completed for sidewalks and re-paving of Pleasant Avenue, he said funding for the project had not yet been budgeted.

Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly recommended that a meeting be held between local officials and residents of Pleasant Avenue to discuss the sidewalk issue. Mr. Marsden projected that such a meeting would probably take place in May.

During the agenda meeting which followed, the governing body heard two brief presentations concerning downtown revitalization, particularly related to the Dean Oil site on LaGrande Avenue and Second Street.

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Fanwood Mayor Announces Decision Not to Seek Second Term; Contemplates Second Congressional Challenge

By SUZETTE F. STALKER
Specially Written for The Times

Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly announced this week that she will not seek a second term in November, saying she did not feel it was fair to Fanwood residents to commit to another four years while anticipating a second bid for Congress in the year 2000.

"It was a very difficult decision but the right one for me and for the people of Fanwood," Mrs. Connelly revealed in a statement issued Monday afternoon. Mrs. Connelly was elected to her inaugural term as Mayor in 1995.

"I do not feel it would be right to say I am committed to another four-year term as Mayor, only to turn around and announce a run for Congress in 2000," she added.

Mayor Connelly, who is only the third woman and the third Democrat to be elected as Mayor of Fanwood since the borough was founded more

than a century ago, challenged Republican Congressman Bob Franks for his Seventh District seat last year. Though she didn't win, she did capture 46 percent of the vote.

The Seventh District comprises all or sections of 34 communities in Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Essex Counties. In Union County, 17 towns are included in the heavily Republican district, among them Fanwood and Scotch Plains.

"I weighed the pros and cons," Mrs. Connelly said of her decision not to pursue another term as Mayor. "Certainly there are no guarantees in either race, and I decided to dedicate all of my attention to forming an exploratory committee to evaluate the feasibility of another Congressional run."

Mrs. Connelly's public career has spanned nearly two decades. "My service to Fanwood began 18 years ago because of my belief that you have no right to complain unless you

are willing to do something about it," she stated.

"I had a problem with a property



Mayor Connelly

behind my recently purchased home, and was very concerned about storm water and flooding," she recalled. "I started going to Planning Board meet-

ings, and the rest is history."

Mrs. Connelly, who retired last year after 28 years with AT&T, has served the borough in various capacities. Prior to her election as Mayor, she was a Fanwood councilwoman for nine years, during which time she also held the positions of Council President and Police Commissioner.

She has also been a member of the Fanwood Planning Board and the Environmental Commission, as well as Liaison to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education and the Fanwood Memorial Library Board of Trustees.

In addition, she is Vice President of the Union County League of Mayors and immediate Past President of the New Jersey Association of Elected Women Officials.

Among the milestones highlighted by Mayor Connelly as having occurred during her long public service tenure were the conversion of the

former LaGrande School into a facility of Children's Specialized Hospital, and the transformation of the erstwhile Mansion Hotel on South Avenue into The Chelsea at Fanwood, an assisted living center.

In addition, she cited preservation of the historic Fanwood Train Station and the Carriage House, which was recently renamed the Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center in memory of Fanwood's first woman Mayor.

"I am also extremely proud that I was able to represent the borough and develop the first single-family housing plan that was accepted by the Council on Affordable Housing," she added. "It just shows that if you believe in something you have to keep on fighting."

Mayor Connelly remarked that, "no one person can claim responsibility for all of these accomplishments. I can only say I am proud to have played a small role. I love this community."

Times Survey Reveals Scotch Plains Citizens Are Angry Over Council's Proposed Six-Point Municipal Tax Hike

By FRED ROSSI
Specially Written for The Times

"My taxes are high enough." That sentiment, expressed by one Scotch Plains resident earlier this week, summed up the opinions heard in general about the proposed 1999 town-

ship budget, and the accompanying six-point municipal tax hike, during an informal survey conducted recently by *The Times of Scotch Plains-Fanwood* in the downtown.

Several residents who spoke to *The Times* were puzzled at the steep tax increase being proposed, especially in relation to the services the township government provides, as well as the lower tax hikes on tap in neighboring towns.

In proposing its \$16.7 million budget last month, the Democratic-led Township Council ignored Republican calls to use some of the \$3.05 million surplus to offset the need for what the GOP termed the biggest tax increase in Scotch Plains this decade.

Mayor Geri M. Samuel told *The Times* last week that draining too much of the surplus would harm Scotch Plains' AA bond rating.

Andy Calamaras, a property owner in Scotch Plains, said he was "perplexed, given the surplus, why we're raising taxes." He told *The Times* he doesn't "buy the excuse that using too much of the surplus would hurt our bond rating. That hasn't happened over all these years."

Calling the proposed tax increase

"too much for a town like this," resident Michael Sorrentino said local government services don't really add up to much. "We don't have a paid fire department," he said. "And the spring cleanup has been scaled back as well."

He remarked that "a lot of people who built this town can't afford to live here anymore," adding that he, too, is in the process of selling his own home.

One resident, who wished to remain anonymous, said residents "pay enough as it is," and went on to blast not only the present local government, but Republicans who led the council for more than a decade, along with the administration of Governor Christine Todd Whitman in Trenton.

This resident wryly told *The Times* he looked forward to benefiting from Governor Whitman's property tax rebate proposal, and said he had recently told State Senate President Donald T. DiFrancesco of Scotch Plains "to shape up or else" on the tax issue if he hoped to be elected Governor at some point in the future.

He also criticized Democrats currently serving on the council, saying he's seen "no viable change since they came in," as well as former Republican Mayor Joan Papen.

He recounted meeting with her during her tenure and complaining that Scotch Plains wasn't doing as much for its downtown as Cranford and Westfield had done. Her response, according to this resident: "What do you expect? Scotch Plains is a blue-collar town."

One resident told *The Times* she backs the budget proposal. Deborah Livingston, when asked about the six-point tax increase, argued that the government has "little control over most of (the budget.) Most of it is contractual," she stated.



FOR THE ARTS...Fanwood Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly recently convened a meeting of the newly-established Fanwood Cultural Arts Committee at the Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center, formerly the Fanwood Carriage House. Pictured, left to right, are: Committee members Robert Chang, Dan Weiss and Dee O'Brien, Mayor Connelly, and Committee member Adele Kenny. (See Story on Page 12)



DINOMITE EXPLORATION...Kindergarten and first-grade students at J. Ackerman Coles Elementary School in Scotch Plains explored dinosaurs during the school's After School Enrichment Program. Children crafted fossils; painted Tyrannosaurus Rex banks; designed dinosaur masks; painted dinosaur cut-outs; and painted and stuffed Triceratops pillows. Students learned about a different dinosaur each week and used a tape measure to see how big and small the creatures were.

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Fanwood Democrats Select Mayor, Council Candidates

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saying she believes she has many gifts to offer, as well as a strong dedication to developing Fanwood's cultural activities.

The Democratic candidates for the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders are incumbents Linda d. Stender of Fanwood and Vice Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari of Linden, along with newcomer Angel Estrada of Elizabeth, a member of that city's Board of Education.

Mr. Estrada was chosen over incumbent Donald Goncalves to round out the Democrats' freeholder slate.

Mrs. Stender, who has been a Freeholder since 1994, is running for reelection. She served as the Mayor of Fanwood from 1992 through 1995, and was also a member of the Borough Council and the Fanwood Planning Board from 1988 through 1990.

In addition to local candidates for Mayor and council in Fanwood, those on hand during the General Meeting included Mayor Connelly, Mrs. Stender and Jessica D. Simpson, a Fanwood resident seeking reelection to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education.

Mrs. Stender said she is committed to seeing county tax dollars returned to Fanwood, and added that she will continue to give the borough a voice in county government.

Mrs. Stender announced that the development of Democratic platform issues and priorities is currently underway, and will be ready for presentation after the Tuesday, June 8 Primary. Monday, May 10, will be the last day to register to vote in the Primary.

Mayor Connelly reported how numerous grants enabled the borough to increase its level of services while passing

a 1999 budget with a 0 percent increase in municipal taxes. She applauded Freeholder Stender's efforts to get official certification for the borough, which will qualify Fanwood for more grants.

The Mayor also discussed various projects that are underway involving the downtown, and which will be detailed in the Downtown Committee's newsletter to be released at the end of May.

Mrs. Stender announced that plans are also underway to apply \$125,000 in grant money received from the county last year toward creation of a pocket park on a parcel of long-vacant Watson Road land opposite the municipal complex.

"Input from many different segments of the community was sought in order to make this everyone's park," she said. She suggested planting a seed from the borough's beloved Fanwood Oak in the new park as a way of bridging the old with the new.

Mayor Connelly expressed the need to raise additional funds for the Millennium Clock which has been earmarked for the corner of South and Martine Avenues.

She revealed that \$15,000 of the necessary \$20,000 has already been raised, and added she would like to raise an additional \$8,000 in order to furnish the clock with seasonally-changing music which would make it unique. An appeal is being made to all borough residents and businesses to support this project.

A poetry reading called "Can of Corn Poets" will be held on Sunday, April 25, at 2 p.m. at the Cultural Arts Center, hosted by Mayor Connelly, Ms. Kenny and Mrs. Planie. The price of admission is a can of food which can be brought to the center to benefit area food pantries.

Irma's Hallmark to Raise Funds for Breast Cancer

FANWOOD - Irma's Hallmark Shop, a Hallmark Gold Crown Store, will participate in the fight against breast cancer by offering "Cards for the Cure," a free, specially-designed card created by Hallmark artist Paula Krekovich, a breast cancer survivor.

Through the campaign, Hallmark Gold Crown Stores, including Irma's Hallmark Shop, will donate a minimum of \$1 million to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation for research, education, screening and treatment programs.

Fanwood shoppers can help raise even more money with every Hallmark card they buy at a Hallmark Gold Crown store between Sunday, April 18, and Sunday, May 2. The more cards that are sold, the more

dollars that can be raised, according to Michelle Horton, a spokeswoman for Hallmark Cards, Inc.

Customers who purchase any Hallmark greeting card at a Hallmark Gold Crown store during the "Cards for the Cure" program will receive the free card.

The first in a series designed exclusively for the annual "Cards for the Cure" program, the card features a detachable postcard with complementing art, and a special message about the importance of yearly mammograms and monthly breast self-examinations in the early detection of breast cancer.

The recipient of the card can then detach the postcard and send it to someone they care about, Ms. Horton stated.

Fanwood Commission Plans Memorial Day Celebration

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Parks Recreation Commission is beginning the preparations for the annual Memorial Day in the Park.

The event will be held on Monday May 31, at LaGrande Park in Fanwood. It will begin immediately after the parade and continue until 4 p.m.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to The Battleship New Jersey Foundation.

Food, beverages, games, pony rides, a craft fair, and face painting will be included. Several merchants have donated food for the event. Any

business wishing to participate, should call Pam at (908) 889-9384.

Volunteers are needed to work at the games or concessions. Each volunteer is asked to work for about 3 hours. To volunteer, please call Linda at (908) 889-4935.

Crafters are welcome to participate, with a reserved space costing \$30 and an additional space for \$20. For more information, please call Laurie at (908) 322-4962.

Local clubs are also welcome to participate by setting up information booths. For information, please contact Linda at 908-889-4935.

Fanwood Council Adopts Flat \$5.6 Million Budget

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which has been vacant since the company ceased its operations there a decade ago.

LaGrande Realty Associates, LLC recently submitted an application to the Fanwood Planning Board to erect a three-story building containing 36 rental apartments on the acre-and-a-quarter lot, drawing the ire of neighbors who felt the proposed development was too intense for the site.

The developers later reduced the scope of their project by a third, then unexpectedly bowed out of a public hearing on the appeal which had been scheduled by the Planning Board for March 25. As of Tuesday, officials were still waiting to hear from the applicants as to whether or not they intended to pursue the project any further.

Karl Kehde of Land Use Forum Network, Inc., a non-profit, educational organization based in Hope, discussed what he described as "collaborative land planning," in which residents' groups, town officials and a developer work cooperatively towards objectives which are both beneficial to the community and fiscally sound.

Such a process, he explained, brings together parties with "polarized agendas" regarding a land use concept, and allows residents to put forth development proposals they feel are favorable. Mr. Kehde said he is an instructor of the process.

He said that while it is ideal for neighbors of a site being eyed for development to spearhead a collaborative land planning effort, the developer and government leaders must play key roles as well. Instead of focusing "inward" on the development site itself, Mr. Kehde said collaborative land planning embraces the surrounding community as well.

In the presentation which followed, Candy Santo, a member of the Fanwood Community Assessment Committee, proposed that focus groups be recruited to come up with legally-feasible proposals for developing the Dean Oil property, in much the same way that the Assessment Committee's action groups hammered out proposals last year for guiding Fanwood into the next millennium.

She maintained that direct involvement in determining the future of the property would give residents "a sense of ownership" of land in the borough, as compared with the feeling that plans were being developed without input from the community.

Following a lengthy discussion, the governing body agreed to give Steve and Ralph Spagnuolo, the owners of Steve's Towing Service, Inc. on South Martine Avenue, additional time to pursue an alternate location in Plainfield as a potential new location for their business.

According to Borough Attorney Dennis Estis, the towing business, which has been at the site since the 1970s, has become "too successful" for the size of the current property. Mr. Estis maintained that while the Spagnuolos were granted permission by the Fanwood Planning Board to maintain six spaces for customer and employee cars there, flatbeds and other towing vehicles kept on the property for use by the business are in conflict with the borough's zoning ordinance.

Mr. Estis said the business owners

were first contacted by the borough's Zoning Office about the problem in the spring of 1997. In October of that year, officials gave them until the spring of 1998 to find another place to store the trucks.

A March 19 memorandum to the Mayor and council from Fanwood Zoning Officer Nancy Koedertiz confirmed that the Spagnuolos had presented an application to the Plainfield Planning Board for a site in that city, but that the board deemed it incomplete.

A subsequent zone change required that the Spagnuolos seek a variance for use of the site, but they instead decided to pursue another Plainfield property which already has a building on it and where the towing business is a permitted use, Mrs. Koedertiz's correspondence revealed.

Mr. Estis said he intended to advise the Spagnuolos in a letter that they had until May to enter into a contract agreement with the owners of the Plainfield site, and July to file a site plan application with the Planning Board.

If they fail to do so, a complaint could possibly be filed against them in municipal court regarding the tow trucks on the property, according to one member of the governing body.

Mr. Estis explained that officials opted to give the Spagnuolos extra time to enter into an agreement for another site because the brothers had experienced some obstacles in finding an alternate location in the past. He noted, however, that the governing body did not want the tow trucks to remain on the Fanwood property indefinitely.

Ralph Spagnuolo told *The Times* yesterday that he and his brother, who also operate the Coastal of Fanwood service station on their current property, were presently attempting to reach an agreement with the owners of a lot in Plainfield, although no deal had yet been finalized.

He said they had not decided if they would maintain a dual business operation - with the service station in Fanwood and the towing company in Plainfield - or sell Coastal to someone else and move entirely into Plainfield.

Under other business, an ordinance amending the Borough Code is expected to be introduced at tonight's regular meeting of the governing body, establishing a policy regarding repairs to sidewalks which are damaged by borough trees.

According to Mr. Estis, if a sidewalk has been raised at least two inches by the roots of a borough tree, as determined by Mr. Marsden, then the borough will pay the cost of lifting the sidewalk, trimming branches or other parts of the tree if necessary, and putting down a new sidewalk slab.

If a sidewalk was raised between one and two inches by a borough tree, the problem would first have to be identified by Mr. Marsden, after which the council's Public Works Committee would have to determine whether it posed a safety hazard prior to any repair efforts by the borough, according to Mr. Estis.

He said action by the borough would be taken based on the evaluations of the engineer and the committee. A total of \$30,000 was included in the 1999 spending plan for this purpose.

Both sidewalk repair categories would be subject to availability of funds in the municipal budget, Mr. Estis concluded.

Mayor Connelly Convenes Meeting of Arts Committee

FANWOOD - Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly of Fanwood recently convened the first meeting of the Fanwood Cultural Arts Committee at the Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center, formerly the Fanwood Carriage House.

The committee's aim is to bring a diversified cultural arts program to the borough.

According to Mayor Connelly, the committee was established to work toward full realization of cultural arts opportunities and potentials in Fanwood with the goal of enriching and expanding arts activities offered by the local community that will attract audiences from within and beyond all areas of Union County.

Mayor Connelly and the committee are committed to making the Kuran Center a vital and active center for the arts.

Union County Freeholder Linda d. Stender, a former Fanwood Mayor and Councilwoman, joined Mayor Connelly and Carriage House Poetry Series Director Ms. Kenny, the director of the Carriage House Poetry Series.

"We have established a Fanwood Cultural Arts Committee to work toward full realization of cultural arts opportunities in Fanwood with the goal of enriching arts activities offered by the local community that will attract audiences from Union County and beyond," Freeholder

Stender stated.

"As long-time Fanwood residents, we are committed to providing a showcase for the finest artistic expression available," Mayor Connelly added.

Freeholder Stender first worked with Mayor Connelly and Ms. Kenny last year when they created the Carriage House Poetry Reading Series. The series uses grant money from the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and funding from the Borough of Fanwood and the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.

"This is a very impressive series that has featured internationally known poets including the 1998 National Book Award winner Gerald Stern, Guggenheim Fellowship recipient Stephen Dunn and Poetry Coordinator of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation Renee Ashley," said Freeholder Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari.

The committee is made up of representatives from the Philathalians Theater Group, the Historic Preservation Committee, the Fanwood Library and the Carriage House Poetry Series. The group is looking to use the Fanwood Carriage House, that was renamed The Patricia M. Kuran Cultural Arts Center after the late Fanwood mayor who helped preserve it, for its programs.



SCOTCH PLAINS POLICE BLOTTER

MONDAY, MARCH 29

• A Myrtle Avenue resident reported the theft of jewelry taken from the residence. The incident appears to have occurred over the weekend. There were no signs of forced entry into the house.

• A Grant Avenue resident reported the theft of miscellaneous personal items taken over the past week. There were no signs of forced entry into the house. The incident does not appear related to the Myrtle Avenue report, police said.

• Police reported that three cars were entered in the 1700 block of East Second Street. Change and a flashlight were reportedly taken. All vehicles were unlocked. The incident occurred over the weekend.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

• Report of graffiti painted on several doors and the athletic field house. The incident occurred over the weekend.

FRIDAY, APRIL 2

• A resident of Everts Avenue reported paying a contractor to repair a pool. It is believed the incident to be a

fraud, police said.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

• Police received a report of a theft of a cellular phone from a vehicle parked on Johnson Street.

• Jason Wehrenberg, 18, of Asbury, was arrested by Officer Paul Belford after it was determined the vehicle Wehrenberg was operating was reported to be stolen out of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

As police attempted to stop the vehicle, they said Wehrenberg's vehicle fled north on Glenside Avenue into the Watchung Reservation and into Mountainside where it struck a Mountainside patrol vehicle.

Wehrenberg was then taken into custody. According to police accounts, a small amount of what was suspected to be heroin was found in the vehicle. Wehrenberg was held on \$2,500 bail and charged with burglary to a motor vehicle, receiving stolen property, assault on a police officer, eluding police and possession of controlled dangerous substance.



FANWOOD POLICE BLOTTER

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

• A resident of the 100 block of Farley Avenue reported that someone rummaged through his vehicle, although nothing was discovered missing.

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

• Police reported that someone dam-

aged a bicycle by kicking in its front wheel at Forest Road Park.

• A garage was broken into in the 80 block of Russell Road. Nothing was reported missing, but two juveniles were seen running from the area.

Scotch Plains GOP Outlines Tax Plan for 'Zero Increase'

SCOTCH PLAINS - Scotch Plains Republican Councilmen William F. McClintock and Martin Marks this week outlined why they propose a "zero tax increase" for 1999 as part of the township's municipal portion of property tax bills.

"First of all, there is a \$3,050,000 surplus, the largest in our history," said Mr. McClintock. "While the expense side of the budget has upward pressures this year, the increases are about as much as the additional amount of surplus."

"The Democrat appointed auditor told us that the six-point increase proposed by the Democrats would leave us with a \$2.2 to \$2.3 million surplus," added Mr. Marks. "With a zero tax increase, the surplus would still be in the range of \$1.7 to \$1.8 million, and our experience is that the surplus usually comes in higher than expected. In that case, it could well get back to \$2,000,000, and we are comfortable with that."

"I don't know where Mayor Samuel got her \$1.1 million surplus number," said Councilman McClintock. "It sounds like voodoo economics to me. There is no way that the numbers add up to that. Our numbers come much closer to \$1.8 million. It seems that the Democrats are continuing to use the new math that they employed in last year's campaign when they more than tripled the historic tax increase."

"Even Mayor Samuel's comments about 15 budget meetings was exaggerated. We had five special budget meetings, and discussed budget matters at a few agenda meetings, but the number

was nowhere near 15. The Mayor should be more careful when she quotes numbers; her record is not very good," he stated.

"Our budget would not affect the town's credit rating," added Councilman Marks. "The town got its excellent credit rating from good Republican management over the past 25 years, and we would do nothing to change that."

Many of the pressures of this year's budget will not be there next year, Councilmen McClintock and Marks added. The tornado cost was a one time item. Snow plowing has been very light this past winter. We expect to come to an agreement with our cable provider with financial benefits that will help us for a few years. Our legal budget should come down, and we expect to see smaller increases in health insurance, police pensions, sewer authority charges and debt payments.

"We have also introduced a major recreation plan," stated Councilman McClintock. "By lowering this year's tax increase, and keeping the tax base low, we could pay for the entire recreation plan. We introduced both the recreation plan and the zero tax increase at the same time because we knew that they would complement each other."

"All in all, we feel that our plan is the responsible one," concluded Councilman Marks. "It makes sense, and gives something back to the taxpayer that is well deserved and well earned. Once you add points to a tax base, you not only do not get them back, but you pay for them over and over again in future years."

Coles Elementary School Enjoys Heritage Night

SCOTCH PLAINS - J. Ackerman Coles Elementary School recently carried on a five-year tradition celebrating cultural diversity during their recent Family Heritage Night.

Many of the students and their families came in the traditional dress of their country of origin during the annual event. They shared family treasures that were on display in the Media Center.

Throughout the hallways, the students had class work that focused on their heritage displayed on the walls. There were "heritage quilts," "flags of many nations," "travel brochures of students' homeland" and the lobby was decorated with "paper dolls in the traditional dress."

The Family Heritage Night Committee, chaired by Karen Delaney and Maura Berger, also planned for craft activities for children such as German Block print-

ing, Japanese Origami, Ojo de Dios (Mexican weaving craft) and Native-American Animal Masks.

Dianna Cassidy and her daughter, Kristin, a third grader, demonstrated Ukrainian Egg Decorating.

Madhu Saxena and Parul Parekh taught Mehendi henna art that is used in the Indian culture to decorate the hands and feet for special occasions.

The bagpipers, "Peter's Pipers" (Peter and Patrick Klebaur), welcomed everyone to the event and discussed and demonstrated bagpiping.

Dancers from the Plainfield Performing Arts Center instructed African dance and provided examples of the evolution of African Dance in America. Etti Katz taught Israeli song and dance. One father, Pat Barton, sang and played his guitar with Junior Troop No. 422.



LEARNING A NEW CULTURE...J. Ackerman Coles Elementary School in Scotch Plains recently carried on a five-year tradition celebrating cultural diversity with their annual Family Heritage Night. Pictured, left to right, are: Bagpiper Peter Klebaur, Janet Mann, J.A. Coles Parent-Teacher Association President and Patrick Klebaur at the school's Family Heritage Night.

Visitors Invited to Discover UCVTS' Technology Center

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Union County Educational Technology Training Center will be open to visitors from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14.

Located in Room 207 of Mancuso Hall, on the Union County Vocational Technical Schools campus at 1776 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains, the center provides staff development for kindergarten through grade 12 educators, both public and non-public, using state-of-the-art techniques in computer hardware, software and peripherals.

Exhibits and demonstrations of satel-

lite communications, interactive television, video conferencing, software integration, networking and high-speed Internet capabilities will be featured during the open house.

Technology and resource vendors will be on hand to provide information and answer questions. "Get acquainted" workshops are also on the itinerary.

Refreshments will be served and ample parking is available on the campus. For further information regarding the visitation sessions or the Training Center itself, call Lisa Greenberg, coordinator, at (908) 889-3810.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education, Westfield, New Jersey, in the Board of Education Office, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, 07090, at 2:00 P.M. (Prevailing Time) on April 20, 1999 at which time bids will be opened and read aloud for:

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Plans, Specifications, form of bid, contract and bond for the proposed work and other Contract Documents thereto, as prepared by M. Disko Associates, are on file in their offices at 493 Lehigh Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083, and in the offices of the Board of Education, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, and may be examined at the office of M. Disko Associates during business hours.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Plans and Specifications by the Engineer, upon proper notice and payment of a check for Fifty (\$50.00) (dollars), payable to M. DISKO ASSOCIATES, said cost being the reproduction price of the documents and is not refundable.

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work to the lowest qualified bidder under a single contract.

The guaranty accompanying the bid shall be given in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid and may be given at the option of the bidder by a Certified Check, or Bid Bond from a reputable insurance company.

All bidders must be prequalified in accordance with Chapter 105, Laws of 1962, as amended by Chapter 188, Laws of 1968 as set forth in Instructions to Bidders.

Labor in connection with the project shall be paid not less than wages as listed in Prevailing Wage Rate Determination pursuant to Chapter 150 of the New Jersey Laws of 1963, or the U.S. Department of Labor Wage Determinations, whichever are higher for each class of labor.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of PL 1975, C. 127. (NJAC 17:27)

Bids may be held by the Board of Education for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

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Live Penguin to be Featured At Wildlife Event on Sunday

MOUNTAINSIDE—A representative from Jenkinson's Aquarium of Point Pleasant will present a live penguin to visitors during a program called "Penguin Pointers" at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside on Sunday, April 11, at 2 p.m.

The program is part of Union County's 10th Annual Wildlife Sunday, which is taking place at Trailside from noon to 5 p.m. A variety of activities will be featured, including demonstrations, displays, vendors, nature walks, children's crafts and face painting.

"Jenkinson's Aquarium will introduce families to the life of a penguin and compare them to other birds, in order to find out what makes penguins so unique," said Freeholder Deborah Scanlon, Liaison to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

"Facts will be given on the penguin's role in the ecosystem, their recent adaptations, and the most current conservation problems penguins face," she continued. "As a special treat, the public will get to meet a live African penguin and learn how the aquarium cares for their penguin colony."

Other featured presentations that day will include "The Great Reptiles" at 12:30 p.m., hosted by Bill Boesenberg of Snakes-n-Scales and Turtle Tales, who will introduce families to his collection of live reptiles.

Participants will have an opportunity to meet and learn about monitor lizards, ponderous turtles, giant constrictor snakes and the surviving ancestors of the dinosaurs — the crocodilians.

At 3:30 p.m., Vinnie Reo of Wolf Visions will teach visitors the important role wolves play in keeping a balanced ecosystem, as he provides an up close look at a live wolfdog. Information will be given on wolves' extended family groups, and how they maintain a well-defined social structure.

Ruth Yablonsky, a Union County park naturalist, will present Trailside's live snake collection to observe and touch between 1 and 3 p.m.

Grant Stiles from Stiles Apiaries will demonstrate the use of specialized bee keeping equipment, along with a live honey beehive, at 1 and 2:30 p.m. Jim DeFino of the South Orange Fire Department will give an informal talk about the effects of forest fires on the landscape and on wildlife at 4:15 p.m.

Turtle Back Zoo of West Orange will have many live animals on display for children to observe. Other displays and informational talks will be given by New Jersey's Fish, Game and Wildlife division; the New Jersey Sierra Club, wildlife rehabilitator Renee Thomair, and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection — Endangered and Non-Game Species.

Admission to Wildlife Sunday is \$2 per person and children ages 7 and younger are free. Trailside, located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside, is a facility of the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

For information on this event and other spring and summer programs, please call (908) 789-3670.



SPECIAL VISITOR... A live African penguin from Jenkinson's Aquarium in Point Pleasant will be featured at Union County's 10th annual Wildlife Sunday event on April 11 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

County Inmate Cleanup Scheduled For April 12

Union County's Inmate Labor Program will begin its spring and summer cleanup of litter and debris along county roadways, waterways and in parks on Monday, April 12.

This is the fifth year of the program, which puts supervised crews of inmate laborers to work on weekdays, picking up litter from county and municipal properties.

"This is a very positive, extremely popular program," said Freeholder Linda d. Stender. "It ensures that the 'gateways' to Union County — our roads and highways — are clear of litter and debris and it saves money by putting inmates to work rather than using town or county employees."

Last year, inmates picked up more than 100 tons of litter and debris from 19 municipalities in Union County. The program sends out two crews, each with eight prisoners.

"This program helps inmates pay for their keep, which is something many taxpayers think they should have been doing all along," said Freeholder Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari.

"One of the obvious concerns about a program of this nature is that of public safety. The critical element to ensuring the success of this program is

careful screening of the inmates," said County Manager Michael Lapolla. "Maintaining constant communications with county and local police departments is another key element of our program."

Inmates serving time for violent crimes, sex crimes, weapons possession, arson, aggravated assault or escape are obviously not eligible to participate in the program, he said.

The program is funded through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Clean Communities Grant, which provides money for community education, enforcement and litter cleanup.

The project is a cooperative effort between the County's Bureau of Environmental Affairs and the Division of Correctional Services.

In addition to their regular cleanups last year, inmates helped clear and chip fallen trees in Rahway after the labor day storm and cleared up more than 10 tons of debris from an eight-mile stretch of railroad tracks in Plainfield.

For additional information on the inmate labor program or to request an area to be cleaned up, please call the Union County Bureau of Environmental Affairs at (908) 654-9890.

Outreach Services for Seniors To be Offered This Month

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

"The Union County Freeholders provide vital services to senior citizens through our outreach program," said Freeholder Lewis Mingo, Jr., Liaison to the Union County Advisory Council on Aging.

"We encourage all elderly, isolated individuals who meet eligibility requirements to apply for these helpful programs," Mr. Mingo added.

The dates, locations and times for applications are:

- Wednesday, April 14, in Elizabeth at St. Genevieve's Church on Monmouth Road, hosted by St. Genevieve's Leisure Group, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

- Thursday, April 15, in Garwood at the South Avenue Fire House, hosted by the Garwood Seniors at 12:30 p.m.

- Thursday, April 22, in Rahway at the Rahway Senior Center, 1306 Esterbrook Avenue, at 11:30 a.m.

County representatives will be on hand to provide assistance in completing the necessary applications for Gas and Electric Support (LIFE LINE), Pharmaceutical Assistance (PAAD), Home Energy Assistance (HEAP), Supplementary Security Income (SSI), Counseling on Health Insurance for Medicare Enrollees (CHIME), and the SHARE Food Program.

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

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



LIFELINES FOR VICTIMS... Donated cordless portable cell phones are accepted by Elaine O'Neal, Coordinator of the Union County Prosecutor's Office Victim Witness Advocacy Unit, left, and Assistant Prosecutor Laura A. Hook, the legal supervisor for the county's Domestic Violence Unit.

Wireless Phone Drive to Aid Victims of Domestic Violence

ELIZABETH - A wireless telephone recycling drive to aid victims of domestic violence will be the cornerstone of Union County's efforts this year as our nation begins its annual month to recognize crime victims rights.

Union County Prosecutor Thomas V. Manahan said the program provides victims of physical beatings or threats of violence access to used cell phones that can be dialed directly to 9-1-1.

"It is a way to utilize old phones that would otherwise be discarded," said Mr. Manahan. "A victim of domestic violence should have a means of seeking help in an emergency."

The Prosecutor said Elaine O'Neal, the coordinator of the office's Victim Witness Advocacy Unit, is spearheading the drive that begins today across the county with the support and assistance of Bell Atlantic Mobile.

The company, as part of its "Wireless At Work Recycling Program," has agreed to test and reprogram the old wireless telephones that are donated by a person or a corporation and return the telephones to the Prosecutor's Office use by victims of domestic violence.

"One of the most dangerous times for a victim is immediately after she has left a violent partner," Ms. O'Neal said. "A portable phone could enhance victim safety and serve as a lifeline for someone who may be in danger."

Donated phones, which must be put with batteries and chargers in Ziplock bags, can be dropped off at the Prosecutor's office on the first floor of the County Administration Building in Elizabeth between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"The evolution of wireless phones from analog to digital and the appeal

of newer, smaller, handsets has produced a large supply of old, unused equipment that is sitting in desks, cabinets and even toy boxes," said Charles Hand, President of Bell Atlantic Mobile's New York/New Jersey metro region.

"Our objective is to reclaim these phones and put them into the hands of people who may need emergency communications," he added.

Executive Assistant Prosecutor Robert P. O'Leary said the telephones will be loaned to victims in cases selected by the staff of the office's Domestic Violence Unit as well as the county's battered women's program. He said persons or corporations interested in participating in the cell phone donation effort should contact Ms. O'Neal at (908) 965-3897.

Authorities said Bell Atlantic Mobile will provide those who make a donation that might save a life with a coupon for discounts on equipment available in its stores throughout the area.

"I know the citizens will respond to this," said O'Neal. "Before we even announced the official of the program for the first day of April we had seven phones sitting in our office just through word of mouth."

Each year, the Board of Freeholders adopts a special resolution recognizing all of the county's efforts on behalf of crime victims and supports special ceremonies held to advocate victim rights and highlight victim services.

Ms. O'Neal said her staff will also be conducting an open house for visitors regarding her unit on April 26. In addition, members of her staff will travel to Trenton on Sunday, April 11, to be part of a statewide ceremony at the War Memorial Building.

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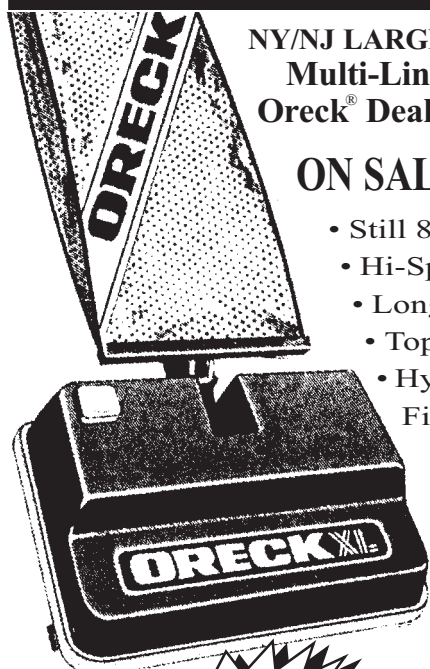
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Special Needs Children Win Technology Grant Courtesy of Bell Atlantic

WESTFIELD - Three-hundred handicapped students in the five Union County schools will create and operate a business using telecommunications technologies, thanks to a \$16,700 grant from the Bell Atlantic Foundation.

The grant, announced at a press conference at the Westlake School, is part of a Bell Atlantic program known as Opportunity New Jersey (ONJ), which is designed to bring the benefits of the Information Age to the state's schools, libraries and urban areas.

"We are proud to partner with school administrators to enhance the education of our state's youth," said William M. Freeman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Bell Atlantic - New Jersey.

"This is part of an effort to help students pursue careers in the rapidly growing high-tech industry."

In addition to Westlake, the pre-kindergarten to grade 12 schools receiving the grant are Hillcrest Academy in Scotch Plains, Centennial High School and Beadleson High School in Westfield, and the Westlake School in Mountainside.

All are administered by the Union County Educational Services Commission in Westfield.

The special needs students will use voice, video and data technologies to create and manage their business. The students will get involved in product identification, sales, production, finance, public relations and general business management.

"These recipients are a tribute to their dedicated educators and their communities, which have taken the extra step to provide their students with opportunities to combine creative thinking with telecommunications," said Jim Murphy, Executive Director of the New Jersey Association of School Administrators (NJSA).

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Since Opportunity New Jersey began five years ago, Bell Atlantic has provided nearly \$500,000 to New Jersey schools, working in partnership with the NJSA.

The Union County schools are among five school districts in New Jersey to receive Opportunity New Jersey grants from Bell Atlantic this year.

All public, private and parochial schools in New Jersey were eligible to apply for the grants. Grant applicants must demonstrate the use of telecommunications and emerging information technologies to support this year's theme of school-to-workplace readiness.

Ctr. for Hope Hospice To Host Teleconference At Union County Col.

CRANFORD - The Center For Hope Hospice will join 2,000 other organizations across the United States and Canada as a local host for the Hospice Foundation of America's sixth annual National Bereavement Teleconference on Wednesday, April 14, from 1:30 to 4 p.m.

"Living With Grief: At Work, At School, At Worship," a live via-satellite video teleconference, will examine the ways that grief influences people in various settings, such as the workplace, schools, or places of worship. Locally, the conference will be held at Union County College, 1033, Springfield Avenue, Cranford.

The program will offer humane and practical suggestions for those assisting grievers and for organizations who may have those struggling with illness and loss in their midst. The program will be monitored by Cokie Roberts of ABC News and will feature a distinguished panel of experts.

The teleconference is presented in cooperation with the Association for Death Education and Counseling, the Compassionate Friends, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), with additional support from Service Corporation International, Inc.

Although there is no cost for attending the program, the room capacity is limited. To reserve seating or to inquire about available Continuing Education Credits, please call Sister McGrath, Director of the Spiritual Department at The Center For Hope Hospice, at (908) 587-2135.

The Center was co-founded by the Reverend Charles Hudson in 1983 along with Margeret Clooney, a registered nurse. Father Hudson was a weekend assistant at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield at the time of his death in 1997.

County to Conduct Tour Of 1700s Deserted Village

ELIZABETH - Did you know that Union County's largest park, the Watchung Reservation, is home to a village that dates back to the pre-Civil War era? The area of the park known as the Deserted Village of Feltville was first settled in the early 1700s.

It was built up into a thriving mill town in 1845, and was converted into a summer resort in the late 1800s.

On Sunday, April 18, at 2 p.m., there will be a tour of the Deserted Village, led by Daniel J. Bender, Chief of the Union County Bureau of Park Operations. Mr. Bernier is coordinating the county's program to restore the village's 10 buildings and 130-acre grounds.

Union County Freeholder Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari announced that Mr. Bernier's tour will explain the village's historic restoration process, as well as what the future holds for this area of the Watchung Reservation.

"The tour's format will begin with a 45-minute slide lecture at the Trailside Nature and Science Center," Freeholder Scutari said. "The lecture will be fol-

lowed by a guided stroll along the village's paved road. A one-mile, slightly strenuous hike to a Revolutionary War-period cemetery and the site of the 1845 mill, will conclude the program."

This tour is part of the regularly scheduled Sunday Family Programs presented by the county's Trailside Nature and Science Center. No pre-registration is required. There is a \$3 per adult program fee. The program is recommended for persons over the age of 12.

Participants should meet at Trailside's Visitors Center, 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside. Carpools will be utilized to get visitors to the Deserted Village after the slide presentation. Shoes suitable for walking in the woods are encouraged.

Historic preservation efforts in Feltville are made possible by a grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust, and support from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

For further information, please call Trailside at (908) 789-3670.

Congressman Franks Urges Parents to Take Advantage Of \$400 Child Tax Credit

Congressman Bob Franks (R-NJ) today urged parents of children under the age of 17 to take advantage of the new \$400 per child tax credit when filing their 1998 federal income tax returns.

Mr. Franks said, "As the April 15 tax deadline approaches, taxpayers will be able, for the first time, to take advantage of the child tax credit when they file their 1998 tax returns. It provides a \$400 per child tax credit for families with children under the age of 17."

Congressman Franks explained that the full tax credit is available to married couples with an adjusted gross annual income of \$110,000 and to single taxpayers with an income of up to \$75,000. Parents with higher incomes are eligible for a partial credit. The tax credit is reduced by \$50 for every \$1,000 in additional income.

Mr. Franks said the IRS estimates that so far this tax season as many 50,000 eligible taxpayers have failed to take advantage of the child tax credit when filing their 1998 returns.

"Families who have already filed their tax returns and failed to check off the 'Child Tax Credit' for which they are eligible, still can receive the credit. The IRS says its computers should pick up the error and adjust returns to include the credit. If you don't trust the IRS to spot the mistake, you can file an amended tax

return, but it must be mailed by midnight April 15," Mr. Franks added.

The Congressman added that in the Seventh Congressional District alone, the parents of 85,700 children are eligible for this year's child tax credit.

"As I visit with families throughout the state they make it clear that even in these booming economic times, it's still hard to raise a family. The financial demands alone can seem overwhelming. Parents work long hours to provide a brighter future for their children. They sacrifice to make sure their children have every opportunity. This year's tax credit can help families do more for their children," said Congressman Franks.

The \$400 child tax credit is a provision of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, passed by Congress and signed by the President, which is aimed at helping parents cope with the high cost of raising children. The tax credit will increase to \$500 per child when taxpayers file their 1999 tax returns.

Technology Grants Available To Public School Teachers

ELIZABETH - Union County Freeholder Chairman Nicholas P. Scutari has announced the beginning of the second phase of Access 2000 Teacher/School Technology Grants Program.

All public school teachers in Union County are invited to apply for grants for classroom/library computer hardware, software, peripherals, or for teacher technology training scholarships for workshops, conferences and seminars.

Teachers may apply for individual grants of up to \$500, or cooperative grants of up to \$1,000; schools may request up to \$2,500 for larger collaborative school-wide projects, all focusing on integrating technology into the classroom.

"As we enter the 21st century, knowledge of computers and technology is absolutely vital for young people entering the job market," said Freeholder Scutari.

"This is an exciting part of the Access 2000 program because it will give teachers, or groups of teachers working together, the opportunity to pursue new ideas and projects for their classrooms," he explained.

The Freeholder Board developed the Access 2000 program last year to ensure that every pupil in Union County has access to state of the art computers and software, high-speed Internet connections and teachers trained in computers and technology by the end of the year 2000.

"These grants will go directly into our classrooms by rewarding both individual teacher creativity, initiative and commitment to additional training, as well as professional collaboration in the area of technology," said County Manager Michael J. Lapolla.

In this phase of the program, \$150,000 in competitive grants will be provided to teachers in the county's 23 school districts. Highest consideration will be given to proposals that: demonstrate a need in the area of technology; can be matched through funding from the school district, Parent-Teacher Organization, education fund, etc.; can be shared or replicated; incorporate innovative ideas/approaches; and advance hands-on student use of advanced

tools. Proposals must be implemented in the 1999-2000 school year.

"We are excited about the potential to expand the grants program by partnering with school districts, parents and community groups, corporations and businesses interested in providing matching dollars to increase technology opportunities for our students and teachers," said Susan Pepper, Director of the Access 2000 program.

Access 2000 is a three-year, \$3 million partnership between the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholder and the county's 23 school districts. The program is providing school district with funding to purchase new computers and state-of-the-art software and fund teacher training in computers and technology.

So far, more than \$2.2 million has been granted to school districts. Another \$350,000 has been allocated to develop a county-wide Internet network consortium to provide high-speed Internet access to schools at lower cost to schools.

"This is a direct investment in the 76,800 pupils attending school in Union County," said Freeholder Scutari. "We expect it to pay off with better economic and educational opportunities available to them when they graduate. We also want to show businesses that Union County can offer them a highly-trained, well-educated workforce."

Application forms are available in each school building and from technology coordinators in each of the districts. Any corporation, education fund, business or parent group interested in matching or sponsoring teacher/school grants is encouraged to contact Mrs. Pepper, a former Westfield Board of Education President, at (908) 527-4200 for more information.

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County Plans Planting Of Hundreds of Trees

ELIZABETH - Union County parks, through an appropriation by the Board of Chosen Freeholders, will plant hundreds of shade trees this spring. The trees are designated to be planted mostly in county parks beginning in April.

During a recent meeting of the Union County Shade Tree Commission held in Elizabeth, Freeholder Linda d. Stender said, "The Board of Chosen Freeholders knows the importance of maintaining our trees. They play an important role in everyone's life by generating oxygen and helping take pollution out of our waterways."

In addition, Freeholder Chairman Nicholas Scutari said the board is pleased to replace the hundreds of trees lost during last year's Labor Day storm.



Relax into Resort Living at Monroe Village

Virginia Phillips has come home to her roots in New Jersey. A professional dancer in New York City, she turned in her dancing shoes to marry

and raise her two sons. She and her husband retired to Cape Cod, and now she has moved to Monroe Village to be close to her family.

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DUKES

When the pugnacious, but cowardly, lion in *The Wizard of Oz* challenged his acquaintances to "put up your dukes" he was, as most people know, simply challenging them to put up their fists in preparation for a fight.

The origin of this noble sounding word, however, stems from a lower-class Cockney section of England where a colorful, rhyming slang was originally developed as a secret underworld language.

"Duke," meaning fist, is a Cockney construction. It must first be explained that the word "forks" has also been an English idiom for "fingers," because of the likeness of the fork's tines to the fingers of the hand.

Carried one step further, fingers or forks, when clenched make a fist. The Cockney rhyme from which "dukes" is derived is "Duke of Yorks," wherein the word "Duke" is the code word for forks.

The next time you see a duke coming your way, duck!

Letters to Editor

Terrill PTA Supports Proposed BOE Budget

The Executive Board of the Terrill Middle School Parent-Teacher Association has voted to endorse the budget proposed by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education.

We feel this budget represents an effort to maintain the current standard of education in our schools, as well as allowing for innovations and curriculum review.

The Board of Education has discretionary control over only about 10 percent of the budget, and it is this amount that is used for the programs that benefit our children. If the budget is voted down, it is our children who will suffer.

We urge all eligible voters in our communities to vote in favor of the budget on Tuesday, April 20, and to become informed about the candidates for the Board of Education for whom they are voting.

Barbara Gleason
Corresponding Secretary
Terrill Middle School
Parent-Teacher Association

Lions Club Thanks Egg Hunt Participants

The Lions Club of Westfield would like to thank those who helped make its 64th annual Easter Egg Hunt last Saturday a success.

Special thanks to William Barton for providing the sound system, Past Captain of the Westfield Special Police Charles P. Ross, Westfield Auxiliary Policeman Chris Beck, and the Public Works Department.

The Lions also thank *The Westfield Leader* for its help in annually publicizing this event.

Mike Gordeuk
Westfield Lions Club Treasurer
Westfield

Municipal Alliance Reminds Community Of Alcohol Awareness

The Board of the Westfield Municipal Alliance/PANDA (Preventing Alcohol, Narcotic and Drug Abuse) would like to thank the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of Union County for hosting the community workshop "Immunizing Our Kids Against Tobacco Ads."

We also would like to thank the community residents who came out. For community residents who missed the workshop or would like more information about the BADvertising program, you can contact Bonnie Viethaler, founder of the BADvertising Institute, at her E-mail address, bv@badvertising.org.

We would also like to remind the community that April is "Alcohol Awareness Month." Dr. David Satcher, Surgeon General of the United States, urges "Americans to focus upon the staggering social, economic, and health costs of underage and binge drinking" and asks each of us to "resolve to work towards a healthy, alcohol-free adolescence for every child."

The Alliance urges all residents to participate in workshops and activities sponsored by the Alliance and other community organizations this month and to discuss these important issues in your homes.

Board Members
Westfield Municipal Alliance/
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Effort to Curb Influence of Big Money In Politics Needs Local, County Support

The more money you can raise the better your chances are of winning an election. So is the world of politics as we head into the 21st century. In an effort to curb the influence big money contributors have on government, a state-wide watch group has built a "Citizens Army" to begin to reform government starting at the local level. It seems that they have a good cause...a Common Cause, if you will.

The Citizens Army is under the guise of Common Cause New Jersey, the Garden State's grass-roots version of the national group which started in 1970. Common Cause's aim is to reclaim government from elected officials holding national office right down to the state, county, municipal and school board level, who end up answering the whims of their financial contributors.

Although the big spending occurs on the national scene, the Citizen Army has been traveling around the state in an effort to gain support of their efforts through the passage of local ordinances. These laws restrict political fundraising activities from public facilities, whether it be the Town Hall or public schools, as well as the use of public building equipment such as fax machines and computers.

Common Cause's efforts, which have received victories through the passage of ordinances in a number of communities including Metuchen, Morristown, East Brunswick, Edison and Sayreville, has now arrived in Union County. Two weeks ago, the Westfield Town Council became the first municipality in Union County to enact a "Clean Government" ordinance.

Under the Westfield ordinance, all soliciting for funds or the acceptance of political contributions are prohibited on public property. Also, fundraising efforts may not include the use of municipal government telephones, fax machines, postage machines or computers, the use of Town of Westfield property or of vehicles owned by the town.

Any town employee or elected official who oversees fundraising efforts occurring on town property is responsible for reporting such occurrences to the Town Clerk. In the same regard, a employee who

reports such activity may not be dismissed, reprimanded or retaliated against for complying with the rules of the ordinance.

Violators of the new ordinance face a maximum of 90 days in jail and a fine up to \$1,000.

We believe that any effort to reform campaign financing must start at the municipal level and work its way up. The sad part of government today is that if you don't have the ability to raise millions of dollars, you're chances for the U.S. Senate or House of Representatives is doubtful.

In addition to those restrictions included in the Westfield ordinance, Common Cause supports stiffer competition for government construction and professional service contracts, limiting contributions from companies doing business with government, and ending the practice of officials moving from elected office to companies they helped regulate.

At the local level, both political parties must hold several fundraisers each year not to mention the individual candidates' cocktail parties in an effort to raise funds to pay for direct mail pieces, newspaper ads, etc.

We would like to see other towns as well as the Union County Freeholder Board pass "Clean Government" themed ordinances that set a strong ethical standard for current and future elected officials to follow.

One of our concerns is that volunteers on campaigns wind up getting government jobs through their campaign efforts. Being involved in a campaign should be a means of actively participating in the political process and not a way to gain government jobs. In addition, big contributors of campaigns should not be receiving jobs and/or contracts for their efforts.

We support Common Cause's efforts to clean up the money chase in government today. Our elected officials are answerable to all their constituents not just the big campaign contributors of the Political Action Committees, or PACs.

America needs to once again become, "A country for the people and by the people."

2 popcorns
Doug Funnie is a good boy — as fine and upstanding a cartoon character as has ever graced an animated feature. And likable? He's loaded with likability. The forthcoming young lad has been winning over the younger set ever since his half-hour sitcom first debuted on Nickelodeon in 1991 (Disney has since bought the young worrywart and moved him to ABC).

A veritable Everykid, you imagine he's what an adolescent Henry Fonda might look like if he were a cartoon character. The spirit of American youth, he picks up where Andy Hardy and Archie left off. A thoughtful moralist and hopeless romantic, Doug interestingly proves that responsible behavior and the joys of childhood aren't mutually exclusive entities.

And just how the good-hearted pre-teen traverses that temptation-ridden tightrope holds the key to his charm. Hence, it makes you feel like an ogre not to give his first movie a real good review.

Problem is, screenwriter Ken Scarborough spreads creator Jim Jenkins's humorous young lad too thin in his first feature-length foray. Director Maurice Joyce, while creating a good-natured atmosphere for his kiddie hijinks, doesn't manage to duplicate the slight edge that distinguishes the tighter, half-hour show.

And while it's nice to see the whole gang, not taking advantage of the extra 57 minutes to expand on their quirky personalities is a mistake. Certainly the filmmakers must know that the charm of "Doug," the series, is in its characterizations and not its story lines.

Nonetheless, that's where the emphasis is placed.

The muckraking plot is sure to at least gain the approval, if not the laughter, of adult liberals and ecologists alike. Whether their children will laugh with any regularity at this primer for the social reformers of tomorrow is another matter. And while not exactly a junior rendition of *The Usual Suspects*, the various nuances of the heroic story expect a lot of their young viewers.

When a lake that's been polluted by the villainous Bluffco Industries spits out a cute sea monster, Doug and his best friend, Skeeter, hatch plans to aggrandize themselves. With the Valentine's Dance approaching, the title character figures his cachet as a monster discov-

erer will certainly win him a date with the apple of his pre-adolescent eye, the comely Patti Mayonnaise.

Meanwhile, Doug and Skeeter become enamored of the buck-toothed creature and name him Herman Melville after he starts chomping on a volume of "Moby Dick."

About to announce his find, Doug learns that major league impediments stand in his way. Bluffington's richest citizen and the president of Bluffco, Bill Bluff, has received word of his and Skeeter's discovery. The industrial giant is determined to quash any news about pollution and kidnap the monster.

Little children may find it funny when, to protect the friendly mutant's identity, the boys dress up Herman Melville like a girl (hey, it worked for Milton Berle) and successfully pass him off at school as an exchange student.

Meanwhile, the corporate demagogue gears up like the perfidious megalomaniac in a James Bond movie, private army and all. He'll stop at nothing, though he does have an Achilles heel in the form of his ever-demanding daughter, Beebe (the middle school is named after her).

Doug's First Movie sports more subtext than many adult adventure yarns produced today. In one side-bar, Roger Klotz, the rich bully also racing to spoil Doug's plans, hires a brain trust of nerds, a la the Manhattan Project, to build a mechanical monster catcher.

In another sub-plot, suave upperclassman and school newspaper bigwig, Guy Graham (secretly a toady for Boss Bluff), defames Doug while challenging him for Patti's affections. And of course, everything's heading for the big showdown — the night of the much vaunted Valentine's Dance.

While all this convoluted may prove visually engaging on some level or another, the kind of bona fide witticisms necessary for solid amusement value are too few and far between. And without the laughs, all that's left is Doug the moralist.

Thus it befalls the critic to give *Doug's First Movie* a less than sparkling evaluation. But then, straight-shooter Doug wouldn't have it any other way.

Doug's First Movie, rated G, is a Walt Disney Pictures release directed by Maurice Joyce and stars the voices of Thomas McHugh, Constance Shulman, and Fred Newman. Running time: 87 minutes.

Talking Business

For the second time in four years a new banner will be flying over Westfield's only supermarket, Edwards Super Food Store on Elm Street.

Royal Ahold NV, parent firm to Edwards, announced March 9 that it will acquire the struggling Pathmark supermarket chain for \$1.75 billion from its holding company, Supermarkets General Corp.

All 73 Edwards stores in New York, New Jersey and Long Island will carry the Pathmark banner.

Pathmark has debt of \$1.5 billion, which will be assumed by Ahold. In addition, the Dutch concern will pay \$250 million in stock. The chain was formed back in the late 1960's after its owners left the ShopRite cooperative.

Carteret-based Pathmark, which operates 76 stores, has a 12 market share in the metro New York, New Jersey and Philadelphia market. Its stiffest competition comes from A&P, ShopRite and Grand Union.

The Westfield store was purchased as part of Ahold's acquisition of 28 Elizabeth-based Mayfair Foodtown Supermarkets in 1995. Ahold then changed the banners on most of the stores to Edwards.

Upon its purchase of Pathmark from Super Markets General Corp., Royal Ahold officials announced that all 73 Edwards stores in would be changed to Pathmarks.

Union County Pathmarks are located in Garwood, Elizabeth, Linden and Union. Edwards has stores in Union, Elizabeth and Linden.

Pathmark's 132 stores, 62 of which are in New Jersey, generate sales revenue to the tune of \$3.7 billion.

Ahold, based in Zaandam, Holland, was already the fifth largest supermarket operator in the United States, with \$29.2 billion in sales worldwide and \$16.2 billion in the U.S. The firm owns 1,000 food stores through its five U.S.-based chains.

Royal Ahold, which acquired New England-based Stop & Shop Inc. in 1996 for \$2.9 billion in cash and debt assumption, also owns Tops in western New York State (Buffalo), Giant Food stores in Maryland and Virginia and BI-LO in the Carolinas.

Abroad, Ahold operates supermarket chains and hypermarkets in The Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, the Czech Republic and Poland.

North Plainfield officials are reviewing court documents to see if they will challenge a court ruling that paves the way for construction of a giant 750,000-square-foot shopping center on Route 22 in Watchung.

Iowa Fifth-Grader Seeks Information On New Jersey

Good morning. My name is Becky Guzman, and I'm a fifth-grade student from West Ridge Elementary School in Harlan, Iowa. Our class is studying geography and history of the United States.

We would appreciate if you would send us a postcard, articles on something about your state so we can learn more about our country to West Ridge Elementary School, 1401 19th Street, Harlan, IA 51537. I appreciate your time. Thank you.

Becky Guzman
Harlan, Iowa

Developer Fidelity Land Management of Chatham announced that construction will begin within 60 days on the Watchung Square shopping center on Route 22, following a ruling in state Appellate Court.

The Appellate Court ruling upheld a 1998 Somerset County Superior Court judge's decision, which dismissed claims by community groups and North Plainfield that Watchung officials specifically changed the property's zoning from light industrial to retail development in 1992 and 1995 to attract a retail shopping center like Watchung Square.

The center will include Home Depot, Target, a Edwards supermarket, Borders Books, P.C. Richards, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Dress Barn, T.J. Maxx, Pier One Imports and A.C. Moore.

Kenneth Nielsen Goldmann of Scotch Plains was recently elected Treasurer of Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, Mountainside. Mr. Goldmann is an accountant in Woodbridge.

Summit Bancorp Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, John R. Haggerty, was recently honored by colleagues at his retirement dinner held at the Princeton Hyatt.

During his 27-year career, Mr. Haggerty managed the financial integration of more than 30 acquisitions.

The Chase Manhattan Bank and The Chase Manhattan Foundation has awarded over a half million dollars to 97 nonprofit groups in New Jersey as part of its Competitive Grants Program.

Among those organizations receiving grants were The Interfaith Council for the Homeless of Union County, Inc., \$4,000; the Union County College Foundation, \$7,500, and the Union County Economic Development Corp., \$7,500.

Talking Business, a column focusing on business news in the Westfield, Scotch Plains-Fanwood and Mountainside regional area, appears periodically in *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times*. Submissions should be emailed to paul@goleader.com

Letters to the Editor

Contributions Should Be Sent to Aid Tragedies In War in the Balkans

As in Vietnam, Rwanda, Somalia, et al., we are trapped in another quagmire, this time in the Balkans. While the U.S. and other U.N. members and N.A.T.O. ponder what to do about heartless petty tyrant Slobodan Milosevic, the atrocities continue as more than 500,000 unarmed starving civilians have either been massacred or driven from their homes in clear violation of international human rights and ethnic cleansing regulations.

As the cold-blooded genocide killing continues unabated, there are at least two reasons why we should not seek to simply minimize our risk of casualties by extricating ourselves from physical involvement.

One is the historical documentation that when trouble breaks out in that part of the world and is ignored, matters worsen and spread (World Wars I and II for example). The other is a moral obligation to attempt to stop the murder of innocent people.

Is there anything that you and I can do at this time to reduce the suffering?

Yes. Yes. Cash is badly needed. Please choose from the 10 organizations listed below (more groups will join these shortly). Get out your checkbooks and pray for peace.

American Red Cross, International Response Fund, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013, (800) HELP-NOW.

Freeholder Anticipates Slated Grief Workshop

I was very interested to hear of the upcoming Hospice Foundation of America teleconference, "Living With Grief: At Work, At School, At Worship," being hosted locally on Wednesday, April 14, by The Center For Hope Hospice at Union County College in Cranford.

Loss touches us all, and grief is truly a universal condition. While we often discuss how we grieve, rarely do we consider where we grieve.

This broadcast will explore the places where we grieve and show how grief affects our moods and motivation, as well as our abilities to function and our relationships with others.

As society begins to discuss end-of-life issues more openly, it is important that educational teleconferences such as this are made possible by thoughtful organizations. They deserve our attention and support.

Mary P. Ruotolo
Westfield

Americares, 161 Cherry Street, New Canaan, Connecticut, 06840, (800) 486-4357.

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Doctors Without Borders, 6 East 39 Street Eighth Floor, New York, 10016, (888) 392-0392.

Lutheran World Relief, P.O. Box 6186, Church Street Station, New York, 10277, (800) 597-5972.

Oxfam America, Kosovo Relief Fund, 26 West Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02111 (800) 776-XFAM.

Save the Children, P.O. Box 975, 54 Wilton Road, Westport, Connecticut, 06880, (800) 243-5075.

U.S. Committee for Unicef, 333 East 38th Street, New York, 10016 (800) FOR-KIDS.

Maurice Fenichel
Fanwood

Daughter of Deli Owner Thanks Community

I know that I have written before, but today I am writing to not only say thank you but also to say good-bye. The party hosted March 27, by Ginny and Warren Rorden and the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce was, in a word, bitter-sweet.

The generous outpouring of support, and the compassion from the people who attended, as well as from those people who were loyal customers and friends was to say the least emotionally overwhelming.

I do know that my parents had absolutely no idea how much they were respected by the community, and I know they will treasure their memories even more now. I know that I speak for my entire family by saying thank you to all of you who have been loyal patrons, to all of you who came to the deli for more than just a meal.

The deli has been our second home, and I think many would agree a fixture of Westfield that will sorely be missed. So again, our thanks, and our last farewell to the Elm Delicatessen.

Teresa DeRubeis-Schaefer
Westfield

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School Budget Cartoon Not Very Humorous

A picture may be worth a thousand words, but sometimes, it is nice to know what those words are.

Your (not too tasteful) illustration on March 18 of a woman boarding the school bus seemed to imply the school budget was bloated. Fine, but where?

The Westfield school district has reduced it's per student spending by almost \$900, it is over \$200,000 below the state recommended cap, and the average spending per student is actually below the state average. It is hard to see where the excess baggage is supposed to be.

In fact, I remember a similar cartoon slighting the bond issue. But no editorial was forthcoming regarding what your stand was on it. So, kind editor, could you please tell us what you disagree with? Thank you.

Gary McCready
Westfield

Student Seeks Interview With Former Students Of Roosevelt School

I am a student at Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield. As a participant in the Teddy Roosevelt Scholars Program, I am researching the history of Roosevelt Middle (Junior High) School. I am interested in conducting a short telephone interview with past students and teachers at Roosevelt.

If you are interested in participating in this project, would you please contact me at Roosevelt, in care of Walter Buda, at (908) 789-4560.

Eileen M. Gessner
Westfield

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OH, THIS IS NOTHING! THE PUNISHMENT FOR FEEDING THE GEESSE IS TO DRINK THE WATER.

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Edward Saridaki Urges Study Of Candidates' Qualifications

SCOTCH PLAINS — Edward J. Saridaki, Jr. of Scotch Plains, who is seeking reelection to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, this week asked voters to consider several key issues when casting their ballots in the Tuesday, April 20, school election.

First, the incumbent urged residents of the school district to consider which candidates will "openly, honestly, and publicly represent the Scotch Plains-Fanwood community," as well as which have been the most actively involved with public discussion regarding important issues of the past several years.

He also asked voters to contemplate which candidates have, "in all but a very few and minor issues, always supported the administration's recommendations, usually without questions or discussion," and which of them listen and respond to members of the community at school board meetings.

"The voting public must decide for themselves if they want active public representation or not," he remarked. "It is difficult for a leopard to change his spots, regardless of what he may say on the campaign trail."

Second, Mr. Saridaki said voters must ask themselves which candidates can make more objective decisions on educational issues. "The New Jersey School Boards Association recommends that board members not be former or current educators," he stated.

"The association states that this policy should be followed in order to avoid the possibility of decisions being made based on opinions which may be biased due to years of working in the

educational field," he added.

Third, the candidate encouraged voters to consider who has a greater vested interest in and knowledge of the activities taking place in local schools.

"Candidates who do not have children currently or soon to be enrolled will not have the level of interaction with staff and students that is necessary to fully understand and appreciate the challenges facing parents and staff today," Mr. Saridaki commented.

"It is no longer good enough to have previously had children in the district," he continued. "The world changes very quickly these days, and because of this, so do the students and classrooms. If the people serving on the board are not in step with what is going on in our schools, then it will be more difficult for them to make educated, well-informed decisions."

Fourth, Mr. Saridaki said voters should consider which candidates have been professionally trained to make objective decisions.

"Candidates who have been trained to assemble all available data/evidence, whether it is of a financial or other nature, review it with an open mind, and then act, stand a better chance of making sound decisions," he asserted.

"Former district employees or family members of current employees may in truth make objective decisions, but there is always the question of subconscious bias present," Mr. Saridaki concluded.

He has strongly recommended that every voter consider the candidates' history and qualifications before making their selections on April 20.

Jessica Simpson Addresses Teacher Contract Negotiations

FANWOOD — Jessica D. Simpson, a Fanwood candidate for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, recently discussed her views on the state of contract negotiations.

Ms. Simpson, who was appointed to the board in May, 1992 and re-elected in 1993 and 1996, said is dissatisfied with the chronically protracted struggle this effort has become.

"The three contracts signed during my tenure were all settled months after their initial expiration, either through state mediation or arbitration. We've got to do better," the candidate said.

In the past, unsettled contracts have resulted in job actions, low morale (among teachers, parents and board members), picketing, alternative "Back to School Nights," petitions and resentment towards the Teachers Association, the Board of Education or both, she explained.

Ms. Simpson questioned, "Does anyone win under these conditions? I don't think so. By the time the hard feelings have dissipated, a new round of negotiations are upon us."

She continued, "I feel strongly that the next time the board enters negotiations with the Teachers Association, our relationship must be changed. It requires determination on both sides; if either side is unwilling to do things differently we'll ultimately experience more of the same, and the 'same' is not good enough."

Ms. Simpson has been researching alternatives.

"I've looked into new ways for the two sides to approach one another. The theories of business consultant Gary Lockwood, author of 'The Art of Win-Win Negotiating,' are intriguing" she noted.

"The model Lockwood draws for a relationship which benefits from this approach fits like a glove. His system works best when you are building long-term relationships; the results are going to be public knowledge; tension exists between the parties; and you want to take advantage of the synergy gained from collaborative effort. That's us!" the candidate stated.

"What it all boils down to is changing the dynamic between the board and the Association so that we approach negotiations with the mindset that both sides can achieve their objectives, not that one will win and the other lose," said Ms. Simpson.

"A key to the win-win style is insisting that each side explain the reasons for their position, rather than simply stating a position. If we understand the reasoning behind a position that helps us move forward together. We may find another way to satisfy a demand or agree to go part of the way," she added.

Ms. Simpson said she thinks open communication among parents, teachers and board members is vital.

"Frank discussions about how we perceive each other's positions might be enlightening. I think we might all be a little surprised at how we're viewed. My hope is that by getting to know one another better, we'll be more inclined to understand each other and work cooperatively around the negotiating table," the candidate stated.

Ms. Simpson has served on negotiating committees for both the teamsters and supervisors in the past. In each case the contracts were settled fairly and without acrimony, she noted. She has completed several courses on negotiations at the New Jersey School Boards Association Academy.

Arlene Gardner Gives Tips For Educational Excellence

WESTFIELD — "One of the most important roles that the school board plays is to ensure educational excellence," noted Westfield Board of Education member Arlene Gardner, who is seeking re-election.

"The quality of our education is primarily a function of our teachers, our curriculum, and our commitment," Ms. Gardner explained. "We must hire the best teachers available, provide on-going professional development opportunities, and carefully evaluate the staff."

"The board's role is limited but critical. While hiring and evaluation are done primarily by the school principals, it is within the policies established by the board. While tenure for teachers is a right granted by the state and not within a school board's ability to change, the board can and must establish procedures for hiring and evaluating teachers that result in effective, motivating, dedicated staff," the candidate added.

"We need to cultivate our new teaching talent, with workshops, modeling, coaching, and opportunities to practice teaching strategies. We also need to

provide opportunities for growth and renewal for our experienced teachers," Ms. Gardner continued.

Beginning next January, the State of New Jersey will require all teachers to participate in 100 hours of professional development every five years. The content of these hours is left to the teachers and the school districts.

"The Westfield Board of Education should provide a well-structured program of continuing education which is focused on the content that our students should learn and techniques for effective teaching. The Westfield Teacher Institute, which was proposed as part of the district's strategic plan, should be a vehicle for an on-site, on-going program of professional development that will help to update and renew our teachers' skills."

"As the daughter of a high school science teacher and a college faculty member who works with teachers all over the state myself, I know first-hand that teaching is a profession which requires cultivation and continual renewal," Ms. Gardner emphasized.

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SPF Candidates Night Set for Monday, April 12

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Council will host a Board of Education Candidates' Night on Monday, April 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Candidates' Night provides the opportunity for the voters of Fanwood and Scotch Plains to see and assess all of the school board candidates together, in preparation for the election on Tuesday, April 20.

There are two candidates running for the one position available in Fanwood. They are Victoria Manduca and Jessica D. Simpson.

There are two seats available in Scotch Plains, with five candidates in the running. They are Dominick Bratti, Morris H. Gillet, Ava R. McNamara, Edward J. Saridaki, Jr. and Donald E. Sheldon.

The evening will be moderated by Margaret Walker of the Westfield League of Women Voters.

The candidates will then have the opportunity to present introductory remarks, including their reason for running for the Board of Education and how they have prepared for this role. The

incumbents are asked to note their most significant contribution to the board. New candidates are asked what they plan to contribute as members of the Board of Education.

The PTA Council has posed two questions to the candidates. The first question deals with the specifics of what to do to improve the climate of contract negotiations in the future. The second asks the candidates to identify three issues that they feel are priorities in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood school district today and how they would approach one of them.

Members of the Junior Statesmen Association at the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School have posed one question to the candidates as well.

Candidates will answer these questions, and the forum will be opened to questions from the audience. At the end of the session candidates are given the opportunity to present closing statements.

For those residents unable to attend, a videotape of the event will be broadcast on Channel 34.

The School Board election and vote on the school budget is Tuesday, April 20. The polls will be open from 2-9 p.m.

Voters League, PTA To Hold Open Forum For BOE Candidates

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Parent-Teacher Council and the Westfield Area League of Women Voters will co-sponsor "Meet the Candidates" for the upcoming Board of Education election on Monday, April 12, at 7:45 p.m. in the Edison Intermediate School auditorium.

The four candidates vying for three three-year terms are Annmarie Puleio and Arlene Gardner, each currently serving their first term on the Westfield Board; William Wallace and Genevieve Weber.

The moderator will be Louise Ballard of the Hillside League of Women Voters. Westfield residents will have the opportunity to pose their questions to the candidates. The event will be videotaped for broadcast on TV-36. The schedule will be announced.

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Miss Meredith Kozak Marries Christopher Love

Miss Meredith Kozak, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Kozak of Cranford, was married on Saturday, February 20, to Christopher Love of Westfield. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Love of Scotch Plains. Miss Kozak was escorted down the aisle by her father during the afternoon ceremony, which was performed by the Reverend Lawrence Cull at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cranford. A reception was held at the Berkeley Plaza in Berkeley Heights. Miss Kathleen DeRosa of Mountainside, the cousin of the bride, was the maid of honor. Serving as bridal attendants were Ms. Amanda Love and Ms. Traci Love-Gray, both sisters of the bridegroom from Westfield; Ms. Kari Scher and Ms. Lisa Andretta, both friends of the bride from Cranford, and Ms. Koren Morency of Massachusetts, also a friend of the bride. The flower girls were Miss Kelly Gray of Westfield, the niece of the bridegroom, and Miss Danielle Wolklin of Whitehouse Station, the niece of the bride.

Michael Povalac of California, the uncle of the bridegroom, was the best man. The ushers included Roger Love, 3rd, of Westfield, the brother of the bridegroom; Jeffrey Kozak of Cranford, the brother of the bride, and Christopher Curty of Westfield, James Flannery, Michael Flynn and Edward Claus of Toms River, all friends of the bridegroom. The ring bearer was Patrick Gray of Westfield, the nephew of the bridegroom. The bride is a 1992 graduate of Cranford High School and attended Westfield High School in 1987. A graduate of the Union County Fire Science Training Academy in Linden, he is employed as a firefighter with the Westfield Fire Department. The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bridegroom at Brianna's Restaurant in Scotch Plains. Following a wedding trip to St. Lucia, the couple reside in Westfield.

Petty Officer Quinn Halfway Through Overseas Deployment

SCOTCH PLAINS — United States Navy Petty Officer Third Class Jermal A. Quinn of Scotch Plains is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and the Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier *USS Carl Vinson*, homeported in Bremerton, Washington. The crew members participated in Operation Desert Fox, in which United States forces launched retaliatory missile attacks on military installations in Iraq. The attacks came after President Saddam Hussein refused to allow United Nations teams to inspect sites in Iraq for weapons of mass destruction. Petty Officer Quinn graduated from Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains in 1990. He joined the Navy in November of 1995.

*Breitbarths
Welcome
Emma Rose*

Jana and David Breitbarth of Huntington, New York have announced the birth of their daughter, Emma Rose Breitbarth, on Thursday, February 18. Mr. Breitbarth is a 1978 graduate of Westfield High School. An alumnus of Syracuse University, he is an architect in New York City. Emma's maternal grandparents are Isabel and Howard Kogen of Oyster Bay, New York. Her paternal grandparents are Lillian B. Weber of Toms River and the late Eliot Breitbarth.

*Emily Anne
Welcomed By
Lockett Family*

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Lockett of Scotch Plains have announced the birth of their daughter, Emily Anne Lockett, on Friday, January 22, at Englewood Hospital in Englewood. Emily weighed 8 pounds and measured 21½ inches in length at birth. The mother is the former Miss Laura Hoover. Emily joins her brothers, Robert, 5, and Michael, 3. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoover of Scotch Plains. Emily's paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lockett of Richmond, Virginia.

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Westfield Students Achieve Recognition At Delbarton School

MORRISTOWN — Six students from Westfield were recently named to the Headmaster's List for the 1999 Winter Term at the Delbarton School in Morristown. Highest Honors, reflecting scores between 90 and 100, were earned by Albert Thrower, who is in Grade 11. High Honors, representing scores between 87 and 89, were awarded to Michael Krivak in Grade 11 and Thomas Wade in Grade 10. Honors, for scores of 83 to 86, were received by Michael Carter, James Korn and Charles Murphy, all in Grade 11.

Richard Lukas Spends Semester Studying At American University

SCOTCH PLAINS — Richard Lukas, a junior at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, is spending the spring semester studying at American University in Washington D.C. A 1996 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, Richard is the son of Roger and Beverly Heinrich. To qualify for off-campus studies, a student must achieve sophomore status and be in good social and academic standing. Study abroad programs are offered by Gettysburg College to supplement and enhance regular on-campus courses.

Laura Sweeney Earns Special Dean's Award At Colgate University

WESTFIELD — Laura Sweeney, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sweeney of Westfield has received the Dean's Award for academic excellence during the fall 1998 semester at Colgate University. Ms. Sweeney is a member of the Class of 2001. She graduated from Westfield High School. She is a biology major at Colgate. To be eligible for the Dean's Award, a Colgate student must achieve a 3.30 or higher average while carrying a full course load.

Jason Lilly Honored As Scholar-Athlete

SCOTCH PLAINS — Jason Lilly has been named a Scholar-Athlete by Bloomsburg University. Students must finish the last two semesters with a grade point average of 3.25 or higher or achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or higher. Jason is a senior at Bloomsburg in Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Cross Country/Track team and he is majoring in elementary education.

Area Pupils Graduate University of Delaware

SCOTCH PLAINS — Kevin William Ford and Lee Michael Vecchione, both of Scotch Plains, recently graduated from the University of Delaware at Newark. Mr. Ford received a Bachelor of Arts Degree, and Mr. Vecchione was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration. Winter Commencement ceremonies were held on January 9 in the Bob Carpenter Sports/Convocation Center on the Newark campus, to recognize those students who completed their degree requirements in August and December.

Christopher Wahlers Awarded Recognition At Gettysburg College

SCOTCH PLAINS — Christopher J. Wahlers, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Wahlers of Scotch Plains, has been named to the Dean's Commendation List for outstanding academic achievement for the 1998-1999 fall term at Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Students must achieve a quality point average of 3.60 or higher on a 4.0 scale for a semester's work to be placed on the Dean's Commendation List.

Local Students Earn Dean's List Status At Boston University

WESTFIELD — Sheryl B. Schwartz and Maria L. Woehr of Westfield have been named to the Dean's List at Boston University for the Fall 1998 semester.

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Angela Buoscio Makes Honors List at FDU

WESTFIELD — Westfield resident Angela Buoscio was among those students in the Bachelor of Arts in General Studies program at Fairleigh Dickinson University (FDU) who were named to the Dean's and Honors List for the fall of 1998. Angela was included on the Honor's List. The Bachelor of Arts in General Studies is a degree program designed for adults. Featuring a variety of options, the program recognizes the value of life experience and work experience. Students are able to receive advanced standing through portfolio assessment. This program is part of New College of General and Continuing Studies at both the Florham-Madison and Teaneck-Hackensack campuses of FDU. To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must have a 3.2 or better grade point average out of a possible 4.0; for the Honors List, a 3.5 or better is required.

County Vo-Tech Names Marita Eriksson Student of the Month

WESTFIELD — Union County Vocational-Technical Schools (UCVTS) has named Marita Eriksson of Westfield as one of its Students of the Month for January. Ms. Eriksson, who attends afternoon sessions, participates in the Horticulture Program, which is taught by Bonnie Baldasare. Students must maintain an "A" average, achieve perfect attendance and demonstrate a positive attitude toward their studies to qualify for the Student of the Month honor. For full details about the programs at UCVTS, please call (908) 889-2999.

High School Juniors Named Delegates At Rider College

WESTFIELD — Three juniors at Westfield High School, Aubrey McGovern, Kristin Pastir and Tanya Tran, have been selected as delegates to attend Girls State at Rider College in Lawrenceville from Sunday, June 27, to Friday, July 2. Aubrey is sponsored by the BCW Business and Professional Women's Club and Kristin and Tanya are sponsored by Martin Wallberg American Legion Auxiliary of Westfield. Laura Bonavita, Paige Corbett, and Julia Gates have been named as alternates.

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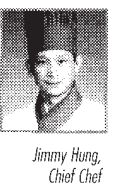
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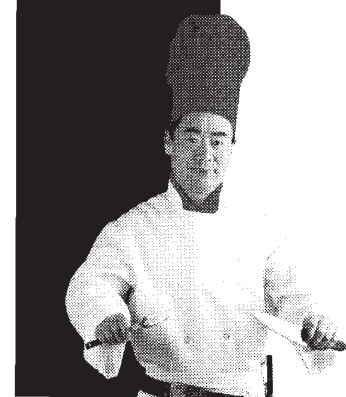
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Music Review

'Maria's Band' Blazes Through Packed Audience At Crossroads in Garwood

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

Bold and spunky while introspective and tender — this is perhaps the best way to describe the finely honed talent and lyrics of Maria Woodford of Maria's Band.

On Thursday, April 1, The Crossroads in Garwood housed a standing-room-only audience which anxiously arrived in droves to lend their support to the debut and return of Maria's Band — and the fans continued to crowd the doors into the wee hours of the evening.

Ms. Woodford's style, which is positively unique, is a medley of reflective ballads and rock tones that blazed through the audience which captured each lyric and sound with pure satisfaction. She gives familiar and contemporary artists like Sarah McLachlan and Shania Twain a run for their money.

Armed with a six string guitar and a devoted band comprised of a bass guitar and drums, Ms. Woodford came to the audience as a seasoned storyteller who wanted to share her experiences through music with a group of attentive friends — and all ears were open and ready to receive.

In one song, "December," Ms. Woodford crooned, "I can't get past December or the freezing cold." Warmth and sentiment came through both the verse and delivery of the song as Ms. Woodford stared beyond the audience and seemed to draw from the heart.

"If anybody wanted to really know me," she told *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times of Scotch Plains and Fanwood*, "all they would have to do is sit down and listen to the lyrics."

Ms. Woodford cited The Beatles, Crosby Stills and Nash, and Neil Young as the "old greats" who have inspired her. But more recently, she has been driven by the music of Lucinda Williams.

She also noted that her parents, who she described as "old time musicians" have also been a powerful influence behind her music.

"I always had music around," observed Ms. Woodford, who called her style "Americana-roots-rock." She believes that her unique sound delves into blues, jazz and country music.

For nearly 10 years, Ms. Woodford has been playing in bands and composing heartfelt lyrics. Describing the writing process, she stated, "It just pours out of me. I can't stop it. It just happens to me."

She revealed that her lyrics are derived from life experiences that motivate her to stop whatever she is doing and express herself through writing.

The members of Maria's Band proved to be musicians who really

knew the ins and outs of their instruments, validating that they were not a mere "back up band" but individual musicians with their own talents. Adding to that skill, they stuck with Ms. Woodford's lyrics to the end of every note.

Bass guitarist, Bob Kay, Percussionist, Bob Larsen, and Joe Larsen on drums comprise Maria's Band. Ms. Woodford stated that Mr. Kay and Joe Larsen are influenced by funk music, while Bob Larsen is driven by Latin percussion. Such diverse interests add to the unique flavor of the group.

But, Maria of Maria's Band was met with more than just a devoted band, she was accompanied by a crowd of admiring and encouraging friends, most from the Jolly Trolley in Westfield where she is employed. They surrounded the stage and restaurant, offering a bounty of cheers and showing their support.

A graduate of Westfield High School, Ms. Woodford is currently a Garwood resident. Her artistry was recorded in the CD, "New Jersey Bands: A Benefit for the Children's Specialized Hospital" which benefited the facility, demonstrating that she is more than a talented artist, but a musician who is "all heart."

This summer, Maria's Band will participate in the Augusta Festival which Ms. Woodford described as "an intensive music training camp."

The supportive crowd which must have been mixed with newcomers was undoubtedly won over by the talent of Maria's Band. She has added a bevy of new advocates to her following and *The Westfield Leader* is one of them.

Earlier in the evening, The Crossroads welcomed "13 Hands" as the opening band. An explosion of drums, bongos, and bass guitars were both heart-pounding and tribal.

The selection ranged from ballads with a blues flavor to songs with a greater rock emphasis with syrupy and foot-stomping grooves. The band then returned to a stronger assortment of blues tunes, collaborating and jamming with a common thread.

"13 Hands" members asked the audience to take a brief moment of silence to remember the three American prisoners of war, Andrew Ramirez, Christopher J. Stone, and Steven Gonzales, who were recently captured on the Yugoslav-Macedonia border, following up with an inspirational song about hope and promise.

The Crossroads in Garwood offers tantalizing Cajun cuisine which tempts every taste bud and is an ideal accompaniment for the wide array of talented musicians which grace the stage each night of the week.

Publisher's Review

By HORACE R. CORBIN

Crossroads in Garwood; A Club Where The Night Crowd Gathers

Pull up in your Harley or step out of your Limo; and it's okay to dress down and relax. It's a change of pace and a lot of fun at the Crossroads in Garwood.

Each evening, local jazz and rock talent entertains a cozy and fun crowd. It gets packed. Make your reservation for a front row seat so that you can dine on the delightful Cajun cuisine. Most everyone balances the evening with a medley of spirits to accompany the songs.

Owner Lee Frankel of Westfield steers the ship and receives enthusiastic backup from his parents, Martin and Ronnie Frankel. The excellent service staff weaves through the packed table labyrinth all evening to keep you fulfilled.

Chef Keith Hawks will fascinate you and expand your dining experience with his imaginative talent. It's particularly interesting to ask the Chef to order for you.

You're served in the low light of the entertainment, and it's impossible to hear the waitress. So, it's dig

in and see what happens. It's exciting. Then ask later for a menu of what you ate.

For the three of us who shared, it turned out as follows:

The appetizers were Louisiana crab cakes with a spicy remoulade, shrimp, grilled alligator tail with golden hushpuppies and Cajun shrimp with garlic.

The soup was roast garlic potato soup with red onion, crawfish and bourbon bisque, and beef vegetable. Then followed deep fried catfish salad.

Still able to continue, we were served blackened sirloin with mashed potatoes, grilled Mako shark with candied yams, and barbecued shrimp with fried green tomatoes.

We still hadn't finished until we tried the Pecan pie and the carrot cake. Everything was superb.

Things don't really get started at the Crossroads until after nine. Before you know, it's well past midnight. Dress down, loosen up and try it — "Where The Night Crowd Gathers."

John Pizzarelli to Perform At Shanghai Jazz Concert

Singer and guitarist John Pizzarelli will perform at Shanghai Jazz in Madison on Wednesday and Thursday, April 21 and 22, with shows at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

The event, which is by reservation only, will feature his long-time collaborators, Ray Kennedy on piano and Martin Pizzarelli on bass.

The entertainer recently performed in the Broadway show *Dream*, and appears in the new feature film *The Out of Towners*.

He recently released his eighth record, "John Pizzarelli Meets the



John Pizzarelli

Beatles," a tribute to the Fab Four.

The evening's selections will include "Our Love is Here to Stay," "Avalon," "Paper Moon," and Beatles tunes like "Honey Pie."

The cost for the show and full-course dinner is \$59 per person. At the bar, there is a \$20 cover charge and \$20 minimum per person. Reservations are required. For more information or to make reservations, please call (973) 822-2899.

Letters to the Editor

Combining DPW, School Maint. Dept. Won't Save Enough for New Fire Truck

I want to respond to a recent letter advocating the combining of the Board of Education Maintenance Department with the town's Department of Public Works.

This idea has been explored many times by the board and the town as a potential way to save money. In reality, there are only two areas of work that are similar — snow removal and cutting grass. In both cases the town and the board have been cooperating for several years.

The Board of Education's maintenance staff consists of two plumbers, one carpenter, one electrician, three all around mechanics, one painter and two mechanics helpers/groundsmen.

Their primary responsibility is for the complete care and maintenance of the school district's 13 aging buildings of approximately 945,000 square feet. Other duties include cutting grass on approximately 125 acres of fields, removing snow from sidewalks and parking lots, marking of athletic fields and delivering supplies among the buildings.

The Board of Education's equipment consists of light duty jeeps, delivery vans and pickup trucks. Our only "heavy" equipment would be one light dump truck, two small tractors (one with a light backhoe) and one wide area mower. The only "duplicate" piece of equipment is the large area mower, a Toro 580D, which we need to cut grass on our athletic fields.

We cooperate with the town in cutting the grass, but if anything, both town and board mowers are over utilized.

The board does not spend a great deal of money on vehicles. Six of the school vehicles were purchased as used "government surplus" vehicles. The most recent purchase was a 1977 Dodge pickup truck for the grand total of \$200.

The newest vehicle owned is a 1997 Ford Ranger, the oldest is the 1977 Dodge pickup truck. The average year of all vehicles owned is 1988. The most expensive piece of equipment we own is the Toro 580D wide area mower, purchased in 1990 for approximately \$41,000.

The school maintenance department has a fully equipped carpentry/maintenance shop where cabinets, bookshelves and tables are routinely constructed. Our staff repairs and rebuilds motors, heaters, pumps and other building equipment.

This is in sharp contrast with the Department of Public Works whose primary responsibilities are the maintenance of roads, tree removal/trimming, sewer maintenance, grounds maintenance, trash removal and the operation of the Conservation Center.

Their staff consists mostly of equipment operators, groundsmen, tree ex-

perts, auto mechanics and laborers.

Their heavy equipment consists of large front-end loaders, heavy dump trucks, tractor-trailers and construction type equipment. We have frequently called upon the town to help us with jobs where heavy-duty equipment is necessary.

In fact, the two departments have mutually assisted each other for at least the last 20 years in areas such as central gas pumps, snow removal/salting duties, tree removal, window glass repair, and loan of equipment. We have never refused assistance to the town and they have never refused to assist us.

As board President and chair of the Facilities Committee, I am fully aware of the problems that vehicle requests impose on a budget. I also know that any attempt to combine the Board of Education Maintenance Department with the Department of Public Works will not result in saving enough money to purchase a new fire engine.

The town and the board meet several times each year in an effort to build cooperation and communication. We will continue to search for ways to share services and reduce expenses.

Darielle Walsh
President
Westfield BOE

Resident Urges People To Make Contributions To Help Kosovo Refugees

As Westfield residents finish their celebrations of Easter, a holiday of hope, and Passover, a festival of freedom, the thoughts of many turn to the thousands of refugees, who today are streaming out of Kosovo, hopeless and in fear.

People of good faith the nation over are horrified by scenes of suffering reminiscent of the World War II. As a decent people ask themselves "what can I do?", one answer, at least, is simple. Whether you can afford \$1, \$5 or much more, please make a donation today to one of the humanitarian relief organizations on the ground at Kosovo's borders.

These organizations are providing life-saving services to the refugees, and they need an immediate infusion of cash. The U.S. Agency for International Development has established a toll-free telephone number and Internet site which provides a list of charitable organizations working along Kosovo's borders. The numbers are 1-800-USAID-RELIEF or 1-800-872-4373, and www.info.usaid.gov.

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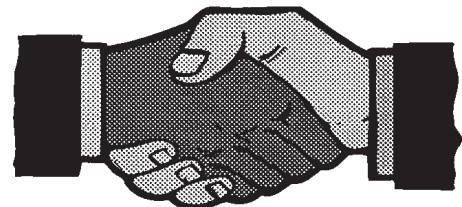
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OUTSTANDING CITIZEN...Kim Shovlin, right, was honored at a recent meeting of the Junior Woman's Club of Westfield for her outstanding contribution during the 1998-1999 club year. Club activities focus on charitable, community and educational projects which benefit Westfield and the surrounding communities. "Kim is a wonderful example of junior spirit in action. Her enthusiasm, hard work, dedication, creativity and drive have been an integral component of the club's success this year," said Club President Amy Tahl, left. Mrs. Shovlin, a Westfield native, served on the club's Executive Board. She resides in town with her husband, Rick.

Scholarship Foundation Sets 'Dollars For Students' Event

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation will conduct its 32nd annual residential canvass, "Dollars For Students," on Saturday and Sunday, April 17 and 18.

The Foundation is seeking contributions to provide financial assistance to qualified Scotch Plains and Fanwood students for their post high school education.

About 70 local high school and college students will be making door-to-door solicitations and manning stationary locations throughout Scotch Plains and Fanwood, according to Foundation President Ellie Kramps.

In addition to its own fund-raising efforts, the Foundation also adminis-

ters scholarships sponsored by 17 local organizations, as well as administering the capital of 22 established scholarship memorial funds.

Since it was founded in 1966, the Foundation has administered \$707,470 in scholarships for the benefit of local students. This year, the screening committee is in the process of evaluating 114 applications from local high school and college students.

The house-to-house canvass and a direct mail effort are the Foundation's only fund-raising efforts for its "Dollars For Students" Scholarships. Donations may be sent to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 123, Fanwood, 07023.

Rescue Squad Renews Appeal For Funds to Support Services

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad's 1999 fund drive has not yet reached its financial goal. In an effort to gain additional funds, a second fund drive letter has been mailed to all residents and businesses of Westfield.

This second appeal by the squad expresses appreciation to those who have already contributed, and is asking residents who have not done so to make a donation to the fund drive at this time.

The Westfield squad is funded solely from private donations, and relies on the annual fund drive to ensure that proper emergency medical services are provided to the residents and visitors of Westfield.

"There is a continued need for financial support, due to the constant increase in costs to the rescue squad for its day to day operations. These costs include training, equipment, ambulance maintenance and building maintenance," said Grace Kowalski, squad Vice President and Chairwoman for the fund drive.

"Every resident of Westfield should realize that it is the individual donations received during our fund drive which allow us to help those in need," she continued.

"We realize that there are many financial burdens for every family, but every donation helps to ensure the continued high standard of care provided by the Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad over the past 49 years," Mrs. Kowalski added.

All members of the squad are volunteers, including emergency medical technicians, dispatchers and associate members. Many of the organizational duties involved in conducting the operational aspects of the rescue squad are performed constantly by these volunteers, according to squad spokesman Richard N. Jackson.

Another challenge for the squad is recruiting quality personnel to per-

form various duties associated with membership in the organization. Mr. Jackson maintained. There is always a need for additional volunteers to help staff the ambulances and answer emergency calls 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, he noted.

Carol Carson, a squad member Recruiting Chairwoman, stated that if someone were unable to support the rescue squad financially, then he or she may want to consider volunteering for membership.

"The time requirements are minimal, training is provided by the rescue squad, and nothing can top the feeling of knowing that you made a difference in someone's life," she observed.

The Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad is one of the few resident rescue squads in New Jersey. Tax deductible contributions may be made to: The Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc., P.O. Box 356, Westfield, 07091-0356.

For information on joining the rescue squad, please call (908) 233-2500. In the event of a medical emergency, dial 9-1-1.

Mayor Jardim Invites Community to Meeting

WESTFIELD - Mayor Thomas C. Jardim of Westfield has invited all residents interested in the Rapuano Development that is being proposed for construction between Central Avenue and Cacciola Place to an open public meeting at the Westfield Neighborhood Council, 127 Cacciola Place in Westfield, on Wednesday, April 14, at 8 p.m.

"The proposed development of this property for both residential and commercial use may be a concern to the residents of Cacciola Place and Central Avenue," Mayor Jardim said.

"We would like to provide these residents with the opportunity to express any concerns that they may have and, perhaps, to suggest any improvements to the proposed plan," he added.

The meeting will be a community forum, and everyone is invited to attend.

Networking Group Sets Wednesday Meetings

WESTFIELD - LeTip of Westfield, a local networking group, will meet on Wednesday, April 14, at 7 a.m. at the Westfield Diner at 309 North Avenue.

Business persons interested in networking are invited to the free meeting (breakfast complimentary). Meetings will be held on most succeeding Wednesdays as well.

For more information, please call (908) 272-6760.

Adult Painting Classes Slated in Scotch Plains

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains Recreation Department of Parks will offer painting lessons for adults at the Scotch Hills Clubhouse from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Mondays.

Six classes will be held, starting April 12 and continuing through May 17. There is a fee of \$30, and students will purchase their own materials.

An experienced professional artist will teach the classes. Interested individuals may register at the Recreation Office, 430 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains. For further information, please call (908) 322-6700.



SCHOLARSHIP NOMINEE...Eagle Scout Stephen M. Anthony and his mother, Betty Anthony, appear with West Fields Chapter representative, George P. Gross, at the annual meeting of the local Chapter, where it was announced that Stephen had earned the right to represent New Jersey in the National Sons of the American Revolution College Scholarship Competition.

Westfield SAR Chapter Nominates Eagle Scout For College Scholarship

WESTFIELD - Eagle Scout Stephen M. Anthony from Troop No. 88 in Bridgewater, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Anthony, is the 1999 Sons of the American Revolution College Scholarship Nominee from the West Fields Chapter.

Stephen received the SAR Eagle Scout Medal and Eagle Award Insignia Patch from George P. Gross, a member of the Chapter Eagle Scout Committee, at the annual meeting held last week at the Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield.

Mr. Gross announced that Stephen was also the state winner, and that he would represent New Jersey in the final national competition.

Each year, the National Society, Sons of the American Revolution,

awards a \$5,000 College Scholarship and a runner-up award to two Eagle Scouts who have applied for the competition and have been chosen by stepwise selections that begin at the local SAR chapters and are based on the applicants' records of achievement, leadership and community service, both in scouting and in his school, church and community.

A patriotic essay and an ancestry chart are also required with the scout's application.

The West Fields Chapter makes its selection from new Eagle Scouts from the Watchung Area Scout Council who elect to complete the application they receive at the time of their Eagle Scout Court of Honor.



RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE...Wilson Jackson, left, a teacher and administrator in the Westfield School system for more than 30 years, was awarded the Sons of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Medal last week at the annual meeting of the West Fields Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution. Charles E. Brown, Chapter President, right, who made the presentation, is joined by Mrs. Jackson, a long-time Westfield school librarian.

Free Rabies Clinic Set for Area Cats and Dogs

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains Health Department will sponsor a free rabies clinic for cats and dogs on Wednesday, April 14, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Northside Firehouse at the rear of the Municipal Building.

Cats must be contained in a "cat carrier" or box and must be accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. Cats require an initial inoculation and revaccination the subsequent year before a three-year cycle begins.

Cats will be vaccinated during the first hour, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., and cat licenses for 1999 will be available at \$5 per cat.

Dogs must also be accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. Revaccination is not necessary for three years unless the dog is aged three to 11 months, thus requiring vaccination the subsequent year.

Dogs will be vaccinated during the second hour, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., and dog licenses for 1999 will be available at the clinic for \$6.20 if spayed or neutered, and \$9.20 if not.

The New Jersey Department of Health recommends vaccination every two years, and a license will not be issued by the township unless the vaccination is valid for the entire licensing period.

For more information, please call (908) 322-6700, Extension No. 309.

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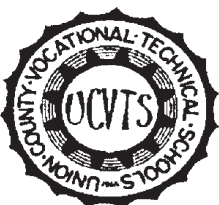
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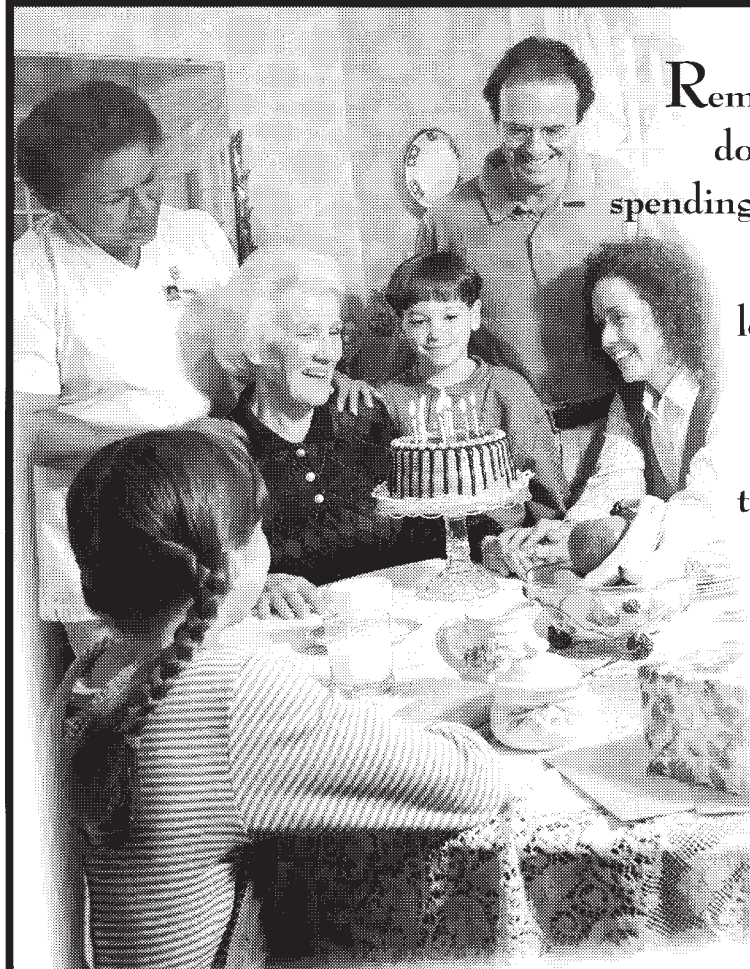
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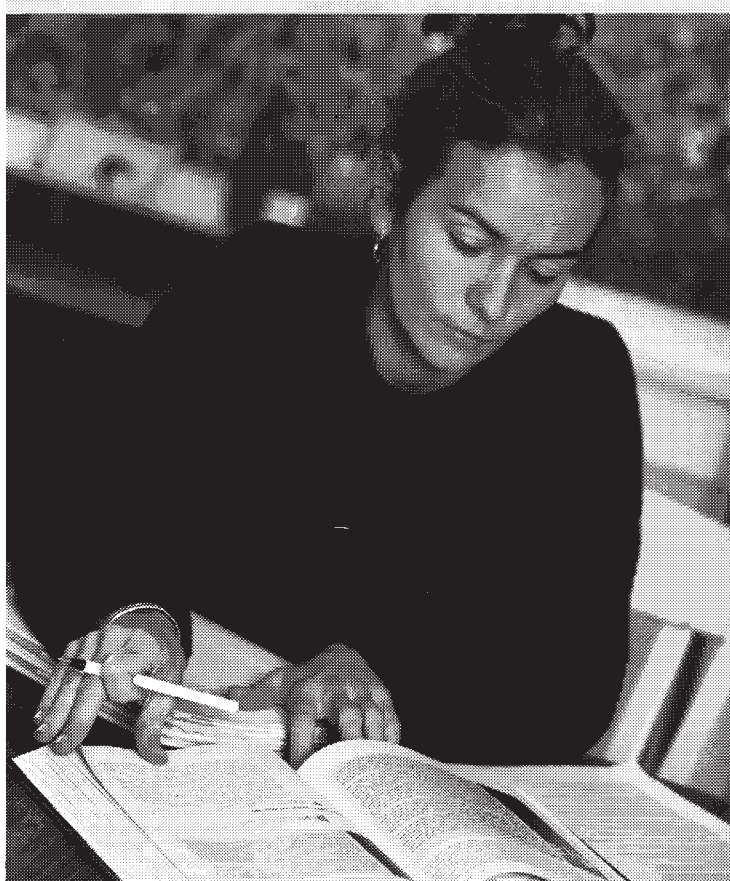
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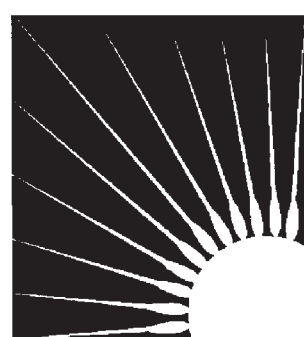
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Olis M. Williams, 74, Active Member In Westfield Church and Groups

Olis M. Williams, 74, of Westfield died on Monday, March 29, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in Rawlings, Virginia, she attended school in Brunswick County, Virginia and moved to Westfield in 1947.

Miss Williams was a member and usher at the Bethel Baptist Church in Westfield and a former member of Martha's Chapel No. 8 Order of the Eastern Star of Westfield and Daughter Elks of Westfield.

She was predeceased by three brothers, Ernest Williams, James

Williams and Ruffin Williams. Surviving are a son, Oris Williams of Plainfield; five sisters, Maggie Ridley and Dorothy Coleman, both of Plainfield, Venati Cabiness of Alberta, Virginia, Etta Coleman of Hyattsville, Maryland, and Rosa Hall of Scotch Plains, and a grandson.

Funeral services were held on Monday, April 5, at the Bethel Baptist Church.

Arrangements were handled by the Plinton Curry Funeral Home in Westfield.

April 8, 1999

John Woerner, Jr., 65, Church Member; Owned Plumbing and Heating Company

John H. Woerner, Jr., 65, of Scotch Plains died on Tuesday, March 30, at home.

Born in Plainfield, he had lived in Scotch Plains since 1948.

He owned and operated Woerner Plumbing & Heating in Scotch Plains for 30 years.

Mr. Woerner was a member of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church in Scotch Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Anne May Woerner; four sons, John H. Woerner, 3rd and Joseph S. Woerner, both of Scotch Plains, Jeffrey M. Woerner of Dunellen and Michael R. Woerner of

Green Brook; five daughters, Margaret A. Frei of Newfoundland, Mary K. Allmer of Harmony, Joann DiNizio of Phillipsburg, Jeanne M. Woerner of Green Brook and Anna Anderson of Bound Brook; a sister, Barbara Bowman of Scotch Plains, and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Friday, April 2, at the Higgins Home for Funerals in Plainfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 2550 Route 1, North Brunswick, 08902-4301.

April 8, 1999

Matthew Frame, 83, Army Veteran; Former Truck Driver For Gidding's

Matthew E. Frame, 83, of Scotch Plains died on Wednesday, March 31, at home.

Born in New York City, he had lived in Plainfield before moving to Scotch Plains in 1978.

Mr. Frame had been a truck driver for Gidding's in Plainfield before retiring 20 years ago. Prior to that, he had worked for the Fanwood Post Office.

He was a United States Army veteran and served in World War II.

He was predeceased by his wife, Helen Sosnosky Frame, in 1975.

Surviving are two sons, Edward T. Frame and Gerald M. Frame, and a grandson.

A funeral service was held on Saturday, April 3, at the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood. Interment took place at Hillside Cemetery in Scotch Plains.

Memorial donations may be made to the Scotch Plains Fire Department or to the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad.

April 8, 1999

Meyer Allen Freiman, 63, Was Owner, Pharmacist At Park Drugs, Scotch Plains

Meyer Allen Freiman, 63, of Scotch Plains died on Tuesday, April 6, at home.

Born in Newark, he had lived in Scotch Plains since the age of 3.

Mr. Freiman had graduated from Brooklyn College of Pharmacy in 1958 and was the owner and pharmacist at Park Drugs in Scotch Plains from 1960 until his retirement in 1995.

He had served in the United States Army from 1958 to 1960 as a Corporal. He was the chief of the pharmacy and the poison control officer at Rodriguez Army Hospital in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

He was a member of the Union

County Pharmaceutical Society. He was also a member of the Scotch Plains Rotary Club and the past chairman of the Scotch Plains Industrial Advisory Committee.

Mr. Freiman had served as a member of the Scotch Plains Board of Education for three years in the early 1970s.

He was a member of Beth Israel in Scotch Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Elsa Zlotnikoff Freiman; a son, Jonathan Freiman; a daughter, Lisa Freiman; a sister, Helene Schechter; and one grandson.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Friday, April 9, at 10 a.m. at The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union.

April 8, 1999

— Obituaries —

Albert Holland, Jr., 87, Oral Surgeon; Maintained Practice in Chatham

Dr. Albert Olaf Holland, Jr., 87, died on Saturday, March 27, at his home in South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Born in Bayonne on February 4, 1912, he had lived in Roselle Park and in Westfield before moving to Massachusetts.

Dr. Holland maintained a private oral surgery practice in Chatham, Massachusetts. He had previously been in private practice in Roselle Park from 1938 to 1955, when he opened a new practice in Westfield. He maintained his office there until 1974.

He was an instructor at Cape Cod Community College in Hyannis, Massachusetts in 1975 and 1976.

He was also a member of the New Jersey and Massachusetts Dental Associations.

A Master Mason with the Free and Accepted Masons for more than 50 years, Dr. Holland was also Past President of the Rotary International Club of Westfield and a member of the Rotary International Club of Chatham, Massachusetts.

He additionally was a member of the Chatham Men's Club and a past board member of the Orleans Convalescent and Retirement Center in Orleans, Massachusetts.

He was also Past Chairman of the House Committee and a member of the Eastward Ho! Country Club, and was a member of the Monomoy Yacht Club, both of Cape Cod.

Dr. Holland graduated from Albright College in Reading, Pennsylvania, and from the Temple University Dental School in Philadelphia. He earned a degree in pediatric dentistry from the Forsythe School for Dentistry in Boston.

He served as a dentist in the United States Navy during World War II, holding the rank of Lieutenant.

Dr. Holland was a past member of the First United Methodist Church in Westfield and a member of the First Congregational Church of Chatham, Massachusetts.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Louise Holland; two daughters, Bette Ann Howard of Saunderson, Mass.

Rhode Island and Mary Louise Dana of Hardwick; a son, Albert Olaf Holland, 3rd of Lafayette; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 10, at 1 p.m. at the First Congregational Church of Chatham.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the First Congregational Church of Chatham, Main Street, Chatham, Massachusetts, 02633, or to Cape Cod Hospital, 27 Park Street, Hyannis, Massachusetts, 02601.

Arrangements are being handled by the Doane Beal & Ames Funeral Home in South Dennis, Massachusetts.

April 8, 1999

Anita F Eilbacher, 81

Anita F. Palermo Eilbacher, 81, of Mountainside died on Tuesday, March 30, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in New Providence, she was raised in Linden and had lived in Colonia for 20 years before moving to Mountainside 10 years ago.

Mrs. Eilbacher had been a corporate secretary for N. M. Palermo Inc., a real estate and insurance business in Linden and Westfield, for 35 years before retiring in 1991.

She was a communicant of Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church in Mountainside.

She was predeceased by her husband, Gerard F. Eilbacher.

Surviving is a son, Paul G. Eilbacher of Westfield; a daughter, Jo-Ann E. Szabo of San Diego, California, and five grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Monday, April 5, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Interment took place at St. Teresa's Cemetery in Summit.

Memorial donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the Mountainside First Aid Squad.

Arrangements were handled by the Dooley Funeral Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield.

April 8, 1999

H. Lawton Taylor, 89, Army Veteran; Former Horticulturist At Area Florists

H. Lawton Taylor, 89, of Stuart, Florida, died on Saturday, April 3, while visiting family in Coral Springs, Florida.

Born on August 13, 1909, in Westfield, he moved to Stuart in 1980.

Mr. Taylor was a horticulturist with Vance Florist and another florist shop in Westfield.

He had attended Rutgers University.

Mr. Taylor was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Elsie Taylor; his son, Richard Lawton Taylor; his daughter, Nancy Ahlinger; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held today, Thursday, April 8, at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Stuart.

April 8, 1999

Edward D. Opp, 72, Army Veteran; Research and Development Executive

Edward D. Opp, 72, of North Plainfield, died on Saturday, April 3, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Lyons.

Born in Aurora, Indiana, he had lived in North Plainfield since 1958 and maintained a home in Camden, Maine.

Mr. Opp was employed in the Research and Development Department of the American Can Company for over 35 years before retiring in 1987.

He was a former member of the Society of Food Technologists, the American Legion, and the Republican National Committee.

He was also a member of The Church of the Holy Cross in North Plainfield.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the United States Army stationed in General MacArthur's headquarters in Tokyo, Japan.

Donald F. Bays, Jr., 47

Donald F. Bays, Jr., 47, of Westfield died on Tuesday, April 6, in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Philadelphia, he had lived in Oaklyn, Cherry Hill, and New Providence before moving to Westfield 22 years ago.

Mr. Bays was a roadman for the New Providence Department of Public Works for 27 years before retiring in December 1998.

He was a member of the New Jersey National Guard.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara Parlapiano Bays; two sons, Donald F. Bays, 3rd and Michael Bays of Westfield; a brother, Keith Bays of California; two sisters, Marianne Bays of Montclair and Barbara Wright of California; and his parents, Donald F. Bays, Sr. and Annasteen Bays of California.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Friday, April 9, at 10 a.m. in the Paul Ippolito Summit Memorial in Summit. Visitation will be today, Thursday, April 8, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Interment will be private.

April 8, 1999

Jean E. Townsend, 75

Jean E. Kenney Townsend, 75, of Westfield died on Monday, April 5, at the Clark Nursing Center in Clark.

Born in Westfield, she was a lifelong resident.

Mrs. Townsend was a homemaker. She was a member of a bowling league at Linden Lanes in Linden.

Mrs. Townsend had graduated from the former Holy Trinity High School in Westfield.

She was predeceased by her husband, Henry Townsend, 2nd.

Surviving are his son, Henry Townsend, 3rd; three daughters, Judith Townsend, Casey Townsend, and Debra Mehaffey; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held today, Thursday, April 8, at 10:30 a.m. at Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue, Westfield. Interment will be held at Fairview Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made in Mrs. Townsend's name to any Hospice program.

April 8, 1999

Jean Haertlein, 74, Earned Tufts Degree; Actress and Director in Theater Groups

Jean Heilich Haertlein, 74, of Rossmoor in Jamesburg, died on Tuesday, March 16, at Princeton Medical Center.

Born in Elizabeth she had lived in Westfield from 1950 to 1978 before moving to Solon, Ohio. She and her husband later relocated to Jamesburg.

Robert O. Bogart, 88

Robert O. Bogart, 88, of Westfield died on Thursday, April 1, at home.

Born in Elizabeth, he had lived in Cranford and Roselle before moving to Westfield 53 years ago.

Mr. Bogart had been a salesman with Industrial Office Supply in Livingston for 18 years before retiring in 1982. Earlier, he had owned Bogart's Gift Center in Union.

He served in the United States Army during World War II, participating in the invasion of Normandy and the Battle of the Bulge.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth Bogart; a son, Robert L. Bogart, and a sister, Virginia Fifield.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 3, in the Werson Funeral Home in Linden.

April 8, 1999

Russell Baker, 67, Former Employee At Southwestern Bell and Sprint

Russell E. Baker, 67, of Ormond by the Sea, Florida, died on Saturday, March 6, in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Mary A. Johnson, 102

Mary A. Johnson, 102, of Scotch Plains died on Tuesday, March 30, at the Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Scotch Plains.

Born on January 10, 1897 in Matawan, she had lived in Florida and New York before moving to Scotch Plains in 1990.

She was a homemaker. Mrs. Johnson was a member of St. Bartholomew the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Scotch Plains.

She was predeceased by her husband, Frank Johnson, in 1954.

Surviving are her daughter, Dorothy Johnson Lehlbach; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, April 1, at the Rossi Funeral Home in Scotch Plains, followed by a Liturgy at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church.

April 8, 1999

Helen Ten Eyck, 89, Retired Professor At Union County College; High Schools

Helen Farrow Ten Eyck, 89, of Plainfield, died on Saturday, April 3, at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Canajoharie, New York, she had lived in Westfield before settling in Plainfield in 1986.

Mrs. Ten Eyck was a teacher at Schoharie, Central School in Schoharie, New York from 1934 to 1936. She was a Somerville High School teacher from 1936 to 1938.

She began teaching part-time at Union County College in 1960 before teaching full time in 1963.

She was promoted to assistant professor in 1969, and associate professor in 1974. She retired from full-time teaching in 1975, but continued part-time teaching until 1983.

Mrs. Ten Eyck was a member of First United Methodist Church of Westfield for 60 years, and was a member of First United Methodist Church in Scotch Plains since 1986.

She was also a member of the Young Women's Christian Association in Plainfield and the College Woman's Club of Westfield. She taught exercise classes for several years.

She was a 1927 graduate of Westfield High School and received her bachelor's degree with high honors from Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, in 1932.

Mrs. Ten Eyck received her master's degree from Syracuse University, New York, in 1934, and received a Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) from Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, in 1973.

She was predeceased by her first husband, Charles T. Farrow, in 1982.

Surviving are her husband, Franklin T. Ten Eyck of Plainfield; a son, Peter Farrow of Port Orchard, Washington; three daughters, Linda Farrow of Philadelphia, Nancy Harris of South Portland, Maine, and Carol Karson of Langdon, New Hampshire; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, April 8, at 11 a.m. at Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South

She was a 1945 graduate of Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts, with a degree in chemistry.

Mrs. Haertlein was involved with local theater groups as an actress and director. She was a member of the Westfield Community Players and the College Woman's Club of Westfield's Children's Theatre. In Ohio, she was a member of the Solon Players.

She was also a charter member of the Highland Swim Club in Scotch Plains, and a parishioner of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westfield.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, John Haertlein; two sons, Jeffrey Haertlein of Scotch Plains and Bruce Haertlein of Mendham; three daughters, Barbara Haertlein and Patricia Haertlein, both of Lebanon, and Carol Haertlein of Portland, Oregon; a brother, Arthur Heilich of Clark, and three grandchildren.

Arrangements are being handled by the Crabiell Parkwest Funeral Chapel in New Brunswick.

A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, April 20, at 11 a.m. at the Meeting House at Rossmoor.

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Born in Westfield, he had lived in Dallas, Texas, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and Kansas City, Missouri before moving to Ormond by the Sea.

Mr. Baker was an employee at Southwestern Bell and Sprint.

He was a Navy Chief Petty Officer from 1952 to 1956.

Surviving are his wife, Joy Baker of Ormond by the Sea; three daughters, Bonnie Brown of Naperville, Illinois, Susan Baker of Dallas, Texas, and Nancy Calarco of Denver, Colorado; a son, Scott Baker of Allen, Texas, and four grandchildren.

Arrangements were handled by Volusia Memorial Funeral Home in Ormond by the Sea.

Graveside services will be held at Fairview Cemetery tomorrow, Friday, April 9, at 12 p.m.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, East Volusia County Unit, 1510 Ridgewood Avenue, Suite No. 201, Holly Hill, Florida, 32117.

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Memorial contributions may be made to Union County College.

April 8, 1999

Larisa J. Kabara, 23

Larisa J. Kabara, 23, of Union died on Thursday, April 1, at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston.

Born in New Brunswick, she had lived in Toledo, Ohio and in Piscataway before moving to Union in 1996.

Ms. Kabara was a volunteer with the Hyacinth Foundation in New Brunswick.

She was a 1993 graduate of Voorhees High School in Glen Gardner.

Surviving are her son, Kyi Greenaway of Union; her mother and step-father, Donna and Christopher Powers of Union; her father, Chester Kabara of Hopewell; a sister, Christina Powers of Union, and her grandparents, Roy and Barbara Franklin of Ronkonkoma, New York, Chester and Joan Kabara of Old Bridge, and E. Beverly Powers of Scotch Plains.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 3, at the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood.

Memorial donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the Hyacinth Foundation, 78 New Street, New Brunswick, 08901.

April 8, 1999

Patricia Swearer, 65

Patricia Swearer, 65, of Westfield died on Sunday, April 4, in the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Newark, she had moved to Westfield in 1968.

Mrs. Swearer was a secretary with the Arlen Trophy Co. in North Plainfield for 10 years before retiring in 1964.

She was a member of the Cranford Court 34 Order of the Amaranth, the Mount Zion Chapter No. 118 Order of Eastern Star in Metuchen, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the South Plainfield Rescue Squad.

Surviving is her husband, Robert D. Swearer as well as several nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, April 8, at 11 a.m. in the Lehrer-Gibilisco Funeral Home in Rahway.

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But, if you can call the owner by name, get answers to your questions, and receive service that goes beyond the written agreement— you've found an *independent*. They take the responsibility to meet your needs, and they're free to serve you— your way.



BRINGING EASTER JOY...Lillian W. Corsi, Director of Human Services, Caring Neighbor Fund for the Town of Westfield, pictured at right, and volunteer Phyllis Taylor prepare Easter baskets to be delivered to The Arc of Union County's group homes in Westfield. The Arc provides services and support to more than 700 individuals with developmental disabilities.

Literacy Volunteers Plan New Spring Programs

SCOTCH PLAINS—Literacy Volunteers of America-Union County Affiliate, headquartered in Scotch Plains, has announced its new 1999 spring workshop programs for the training of tutors.

The first program, English as a Second Language Workshop, will be held at the Roselle Park Library. Registration will take place on Thursday, April 15, at 6 p.m.

Classes, which will be held on Thursdays, are scheduled for April 22 and 29, May 6, 13, 20 and 27. All classes will take place from 6 to 9 p.m.

Another English as a Second Language Workshop will be offered at the Hillside Library. Registration will be held on Saturday, April 10, at 10 a.m. Classes, which will be held on Saturdays, are planned for April 17, 24 and 30, May 1, 8, 15 and 22. All classes

will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The last English as a Second Language Workshop of the spring will be held at the Clark Library. Registration will be held on Thursday, April 22, at 6 p.m. Classes, scheduled for Thursdays, will be held on April 22 and 29, May 6, 13 and 27, June 3. All classes will take place from 6 to 9 p.m.

There also will be a Basic Literacy Workshop held at the Elizabeth Public Library (Main Branch). Registration will be held on Wednesday, April 14, at 6 p.m. Classes, set for Wednesdays, will take place on April 21 and 28, May 5, 12, 19 and 26, from 6 to 9 p.m.

There will be a materials fee of \$15 to cover supplies. For additional information or to register for any of the workshops, please call (908) 490-0333.

Musical Club to Present Special April Program

WESTFIELD – The April program of the Musical Club of Westfield will feature a variety of composers and musical flavors.

It will take place on Wednesday, April 14, at 1 p.m. in the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm Street in Westfield.

Drude Sparre Roessler, mezzo-soprano, and guest artist Roger Hayden, baritone, will sing "Vier Duette für Alt und Bariton" op. 28 by Brahms. They will be accompanied at the piano by guest artist Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth.

Pianist Edith Anderson will perform "Prelude Partita No. 1 in Bb" by Johann Sebastian Bach and "Clair de Lune" from *Suite Bergamasque* by Debussy, as well as his "Arabesques No. 1." She will conclude

with "Scherzo in E Minor" op. 26 by Mendelssohn.

Stephen P. Tasy, baritone, will sing "O Rest in the Lord" from Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, "At the River," arranged by Aaron Copland, and "Ol' Man River" from *Showboat*, by Jerome Kern. His accompanist will be Louise Andrews.

Dr. Theodore K. Schlosberg, on the French horn, will perform "Concert für Waldhorn in Es" (Allegro, Rondo) K. 447 by Mozart, accompanied at the piano by Pamela Johnson. Wayne Smith, a former scholarship recipient, will perform on the violoncello.

Sally Beckwith is the Program Chairwoman. The Hospitality Chairwoman is Carolyn Kramer, assisted by Jacqueline Reich, Lorraine Blanding and Florence Swink. Virginia and George Toenes will serve as ushers for the event.

Rutgers Cooperative To Hold Workshop On 'Tween' Years

WESTFIELD – Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County will present a workshop on "The Tween Years," for parents of children between the ages of 10 and 14, on Tuesday, April 13, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The class will take place at the Westfield Administration Building, 300 North Avenue, East, in Westfield.

Participants will be given information on coping with early adolescence, which can sometimes be frustrating. They will receive tips on things which are part of the normal growing up process, and learn how to set clear and consistent guidelines.

There is a \$5 fee for materials, which is payable at the door. Registration is required. To reserve a seat, please call (908) 654-9854.

Rutgers Cooperative Extension provides information and educational services to all people without regard to sex, race, color, national origin, disability or handicap, or age.

La Leche League Schedules Meeting

WESTFIELD – La Leche League of Westfield, a breastfeeding information and support group, meets on the third Thursday of the month.

Meetings are held at the Cranford Public Library, 224 Walnut Avenue, Cranford.

The next meeting will be held on April 15 at 10:15 a.m. For more information, please call (908) 301-1339 or (908) 306-8807.

Mothers' Center Schedules Spring Consignment Sale

SCOTCH PLAINS – The Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey, based in Scotch Plains, will hold its semi-annual consignment sale on Wednesday and Thursday, April 14 and 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days at the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in Plainfield.

The sale will feature gently-used children's spring and summer clothing in sizes from newborn to 14. Other merchandise will include toys, maternity clothes, and baby equipment.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit the activities of the Mothers' Center, a nonprofit, non-sectarian organization founded in 1978 by mothers to help mothers.

Caregivers of Those With Alzheimer's To Meet on April 15

BERKELEY HEIGHTS – The next Caregiver/Alzheimer Support Group of Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County will meet from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, in the Family Conference Room of the facility, located at 40 Watchung Way in Berkeley Heights.

This professional support, education and information group for caregivers and family members, held the third Thursday of each month, is open to the community and offered free of charge. It is facilitated by Kathleen Balascio, a licensed social worker with Runnells.

The support group shares information on the disease, research updates, practical care techniques and a list of community resources. A portion of the meeting is devoted to discussion of the frustrations individuals experience in caring for those stricken with Alzheimer's disease.

Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County sponsors the meetings in conjunction with the Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

Additional meetings will be held this year on May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18 and December 16.

For further information on this wheelchair accessible program, please call (908) 771-5835.

Center, a nonprofit, non-sectarian organization founded in 1978 by mothers to help mothers.

The center offers day and evening discussion groups, evening workshops, guest speakers, social activities, library resources, and playgroups.

On-site child care is available for participants in most of the group's daytime activities. New members are always welcome. For more information, please call (908) 561-1751, or visit the Mothers' Center Internet web site at <http://westfieldnj.com/mccnj>.

St. Peter by the Sea Orchestra To Give Benefit Concert May 1

WESTFIELD – The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea will again include Westfield in its spring tour, according to the Reverend Alphonse Stephenson, conductor and Musical Director of the 45-member professional ensemble.

A benefit concert for the Youth and Family Counseling Service (YFCS) in Westfield will be held at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church in Westfield at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 1.

The performance, featuring a whole new program, will mark the group's ninth annual visit to Westfield on behalf of YFCS, Reverend Stephenson said.

Appearing with the orchestra this year will be baritone Raemond Martin and, alternating performances, tenors Anthony Buonauro and Thomas Bethman.

The concert will break stylistic tradition of performing only one type of music by combining classics from the operatic to the Broadway stage, expressly written for men's voices, Reverend Stephenson confirmed.

Reverend Stephenson formed the orchestra in 1986 while serving at St. Malachy's Parish in New York City. For several years, he served as conductor and Musical Director on Broadway for *A Chorus Line* at the Shubert Theater.

The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea is made up of musicians from the New York, New Jersey and Philadel-

phia area.

Youth and Family Counseling Service is an independent, nonprofit agency serving the residents of Berkeley Heights, Clark, Cranford, Garwood, Mountainside, Rahway, Scotch Plains and Westfield.

It provides counseling and mental health services to individuals, families, couples and groups on a sliding fee scale. The benefit concert helps support YFCS programs related to parenting skills, parent/teen communication, and family issues.

Tickets for the May 1 concert are \$25 for general admission, \$22 for senior citizens, and \$50 for Patron seating.

Local ticket outlets include Country Squire Men's Wear in Clark, the Enchanted Garden in Cranford, Encore Books in Garwood, Richard Roberts Ltd. in Scotch Plains, and Lancaster Hallmark Ltd. in Westfield.

Tickets may also be ordered by calling the YFCS headquarters, 233 Prospect Street in Westfield, at (908) 233-2042.

Holy Trinity Seniors To Meet on April 12, Reveal Pending Trips

WESTFIELD – The Senior Social Club of the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 12, in the cafeteria of the elementary school.

Karen F. Simon, head of senior programs at the Westfield "Y," will present a talk on senior exercise, and give some examples.

On Monday, May 17, the club will take a trip to the Vietnam War Memorial at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel. Included will be a tour of the site, lunch, an ocean promenade at Long Branch, and a bus tour of Sandy Hook.

On Tuesday, June 22, there will be a luncheon cruise aboard the *Spirit of New Jersey*. Included will be a tour of the New Jersey Environmental Center.

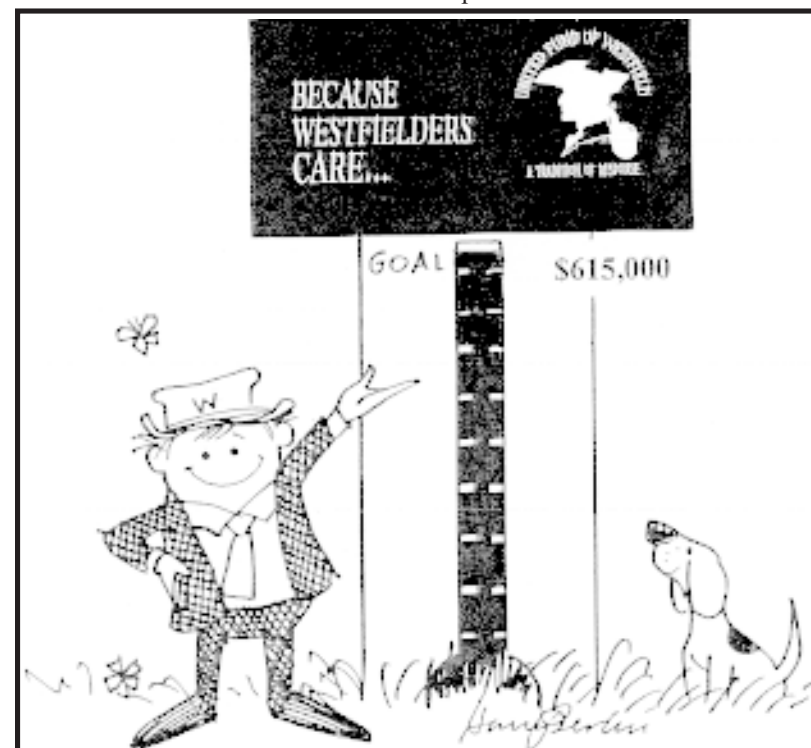
Spaces are still available for the trips.

Rosary Altar Society Reveals Next Meeting

SCOTCH PLAINS – The monthly meeting of St. Bartholomew's Rosary Altar Society will be held on Monday, April 12, following the 7:30 p.m. Mass. Plans for the Spaghetti Dinner will be finalized.

The dinner will be held on Friday, April 30, with seatings at 5:30 and at 7 p.m. Admission will be \$7 for adults, \$4 for children ages 7 through 12, and free for children age 6 and under.

For more information, please call Clem at (908) 322-5409 or Edna at (908) 889-2152.



ALMOST TO THE TOP!...The United Fund of Westfield has raised \$602,700, or 98 percent, of its goal of \$615,000 for the 1998-1999 campaign. "When you think about giving, remember that every donation to the Westfield United Fund makes a difference because someone in our community — a community 'United By Caring' — is counting on you. Reaching 100 percent of our goal enables us to fully fund our commitment to our 21 member agencies serving the Westfield population," noted Campaign Chairwoman Danielle Walsh. The current campaign ends on Friday, April 30. Contributions may still be sent to 301 North Avenue, West, Westfield, 07090.

Odyssey of the Mind Succeeds At Regional Competition

WESTFIELD – Thirteen of Westfield's Odyssey of the Mind (OM) teams successfully completed their problem-solving projects and presented their results at the Regional Competition in Roxbury on March 20.

Each team represented their school and community. The 82 team members included students from Tamaques, Wilson and Franklin Elementary schools, and from Roosevelt Intermediate School.

The teams worked on their problems until a solution was developed and ready to be presented after four months of meetings. They met the challenge with the support of their parents and volunteer coaches, according to Pamela Newell, Westfield Coordinator for OM.

"My personal thanks to the coaches and judges that shared their commitment to our program by working the competition," Mrs. Newell remarked. "I am very appreciative. Without you, this monumental task would be an impossibility."

Three teams advanced to the state finals; two from Franklin Elementary, coached by Joannie and Matt Niemiera,

Louise Vallee and Gene Vasquez, and one team from Wilson Elementary, coached by Molly Adams and Bruce Johnson.

The "Outstanding OMer Award," recognizing team members who serve as OM examples or role models by their actions or words, was awarded to the team from Tamaques School.

The state finals will take place on Saturday, April 24.

Area Lion's Club Sets Benefit Flea Market

SCOTCH PLAINS – The Scotch Plains Lions Club will hold its annual Flea Market on Saturday, April 10, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fanwood Train Station. Proceeds from the sale will go to Lions' charities.

The Lions Club is looking for dealers to participate in the Flea Market. A bake sale and refreshment stand will be part of the event.

For further information and for dealer reservations, please call Norman Bendel at (908) 322-1663.

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First Congregational Seeks Candidates for Award

WESTFIELD – The First Congregational Church in Westfield is currently seeking candidates for the Marc Wesley Hardy Human Rights Award for 1999.

Candidates must be young adults from the Westfield community, of high school or college age, who have distinguished themselves in the area of human rights.

The award will be offered to an individual who has demonstrated

openness and friendliness to people of all races, creeds and nationalities; involvement and leadership in organizations and activities committed to improving human relations; unusual personal dignity; a willingness to take risks for what he or she believes is right; unqualified acceptance of others; respect for diversity; personal integrity; caring and willingness to listen, and the ability to lead by example.

Bible Scholar to Speak To Triangle Class At Presbyterian Church

WESTFIELD – Dr. Katherine Doob Sarkenfeld will speak to The Triangle Class at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield on Sunday, April 11, at 9:15 a.m. She will discuss the Bible's Book of Ruth.

Dr. Sarkenfeld serves on the faculty of Princeton seminary. In addition to her position as a William Albright Eisenberger Professor of Old Testament Literature and Exegesis, Dr. Sarkenfeld serves as Director of doctoral studies.

She is an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA), and is the author of "The Meaning of Hessed in The Hebrew Bible," "Faithfulness in Action," and "Journeying with God," as well as numerous articles and reviews.

Nominations should be type-written, no more than two pages in length, and should indicate organizations with which the candidate was affiliated and what responsibilities were assumed, along with stories or examples that illustrate the award's criteria.

Nominations should be mailed to Ann Harris and Barbara Hollister, Co-Chairwomen of the Marc Wesley Hardy Human Rights Award Committee, First Congregational Church, 125 Elmer Street, Westfield, 07090, no later than Friday, April 30.

They should include names, addresses, and telephone numbers of two references to contact.

Presentation of the award, which will consist of a certificate and a monetary prize, will be made later this spring. The winner's name will be placed on a plaque in the foyer of the First Congregational Church. All nominees will be publicly acknowledged.

The Role of Spirituality in Healing

Would you like to know more about this timely topic?



Catharine S. Brant will share experiences of how her life improved dramatically while reading the best-selling book, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy.

Join us for this free talk by Mrs. Brant, who is experienced in the public practice of spiritual healing as a Christian Science Practitioner.

Saturday, April 17, 1999 • 2 p.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist
257 Midway Avenue, Fanwood

For more information call (908) 756-8592

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Good News

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases:

Psalms 103: 1,2,3

The Gospel

THE WEEK IN SPORTS

KASHLAK, BRAMNICK WILL LEAD THE LEGENDS

Blue Devil Golfers Return Powerhouse to the Course

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

Watch out for the Westfield High School golf team this season! Last year the Blue Devils finished with a perfect, 18-0, season and aced the Union County, Watchung Conference and District 4 Championships. In addition, their two-top golfers return to terrorize the local courses.

Senior Ronnie Kashlak was astounding last year as he led all the Blue Devil golfers with a 39.1 average. Perhaps his best outing came at Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield when he fired a two-under par performance against then previously undefeated, 12-0, South Plainfield. Kashlak appears to be right on track this year as he recently shot a nine-hole 33.

Sophomore Brent Bramnick turned all heads when he had one startling performance after another, then placed second in the Union County Tournament, winning a sudden-death playoff with Kashlak. Bramnick had the Blue Devils' second-best average at 41.2.

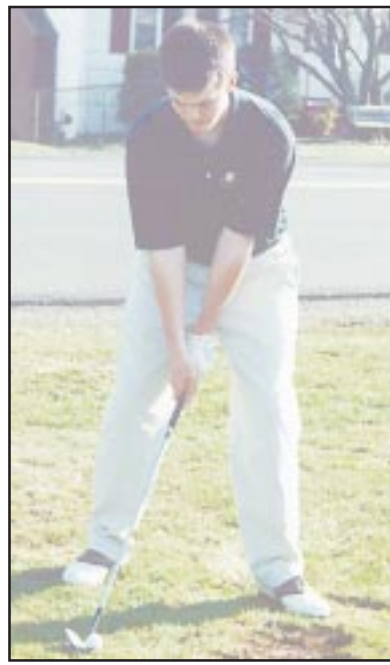
One huge loss came in the retirement Head Coach Joe Soviero who guided the Blue Devils for 14 years. Soviero amassed an incredible 196-23-1 record and collected four undefeated seasons. In 1993, the Blue Devil golfers won the New Jersey State Championship.

One huge gain, however, has been the acquirement of John Turnbull, the Blue Devils' new Head Coach. Having been the golf pro at Scotch Hills Golf Course for 18 years,

Turnbull is indeed a master of the game. Turnbull has also coached the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School golf team from 1987-1992.

"Every kid is unique. I have all the kids working on something different. Some of our more experienced golfers are presently at Echo Lake while some, I give individual instruction here," said Turnbull at Scotch Hills Golf Course at the time of the interview on March 31.

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David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times
PRACTICE...Blue Devil Josh Rogers practices on his short game.

SPECIAL DEADLINE

Because of our April 15 "Special Issue", the deadline for sports will be on Saturday 4 p.m. E-mailed articles will have first priority due to clarity and ease of transfer to our style. e-mail at: sports@goleader.com Others: Type, double space with clear font

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MAJOCHA FANS 7, JOHNSON TWO

Blue Devil Nine Pummel Shabazz Bulldogs, 13-1

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

Randy Majocha struck out seven batters in four innings and Jeff Johnson struck out two in the final inning as the Westfield High School baseball team took the bark out of the Shabazz Bulldogs, 13-1, in the first game of a doubleheader in Westfield on April 3.

The Bulldogs scored their only run in the first inning when Malic Sinco walked, stole second and scored on a single from Almota Raimo.

In the bottom of the second, the crunch began as the Blue Devils pounded out eight runs. Brandon Doerr reached on an error, Jason Merritt ripped an RBI single. Giacone reached on an error, then Majocha bopped an RBI single. Will Hannis singled, Luke Mistretta drilled an RBI double, McCormack unleashed a two-RBI triple, then Turner

launched a two-run home run over the 342-foot sign in left-center.

Two more runs were added in the bottom of the third. After Majocha reached first safely, courtesy runner Jeff Bendix replaced him and immediately stole second, then stole third on another pitch in the dirt. Hannis walked, then stole second, putting runners in scoring position for Mistretta who then yanked a two-RBI single to right-center.

Turner led off the bottom of the fourth with a chopping double over second. Brian Flynn went with the pitch and poked an RBI single to center. Doerr stepped up and ripped a single to center as Flynn flew to third. Flynn scored on a passed ball as Doerr rounded second and slid safely into third. Merritt lofted a sacrifice fly to center to bring home Doerr.

Johnson came in to relieve Majocha



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
GOING WITH THE PITCH...Blue Devil Brian Flynn goes with the pitch and slaps a single to left-center during the first game of a doubleheader with Shabazz.

SAM FLEDER WINS THE FIRST SINGLES POSITION

Blue Devils Netmen Appear Stronger, Have More Depth

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

Junior Sam Fleder and senior Jeff Diamond look to head the Union County Champion Westfield High School boys tennis team at first and second singles, respectively. Last year the Blue Devils eked past Summit, 68-66, for the Union County Tourna-

ment (UCT) title in a rain-delayed tournament.

The Blue Devils had no top-seeded players in the county tournament last year, but Diamond and Fleder, both seeded second at second and third singles, respectively, rose to the challenge and seized first places.

Diamond breezed to the UCT title

match, then crushed Chris Saladores of Elizabeth, 6-3, 6-2. Fleder dethroned top-seeded Miles Moriarty of Summit, 6-3, 2-6, 6-3, for the title.

Blue Devils Peter Lau and Josh Warren also played well in the UCT, placing fourth at first doubles. Lau has since graduated and Warren will be in the thick of a swarm for the doubles positions.

Fleder won the first singles position from Diamond earlier this season in a very competitive match so the Blue Devils plan to be very strong at both first and second singles.

"Sam beat Jeff in the third set, 7-5, a few days ago, so Sam will be at first singles," pointed out Blue Devil Head Coach George Kapner. "I generally do not allow another challenge for the position later in the season, because once we establish our team, I generally leave them alone unless there is a reason based on their playing."

Kapner added, "Once we have our team set, I want our focus to be on the opponent not on each other. This is a high school team in an educational situation and that is what I am looking to create."

Sophomore Peter Yu, who won the third singles position, has been a huge and pleasant surprise. Yu's

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David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
PART OF THE SINGLES CREW... Sophomore Peter Yu at third singles, left, and junior Sam Fleder at first singles make up the Blue Devils' singles crew along with second singles player Jeff Diamond, not in picture.



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
TAKING A MIGHTY SWING...Blue Devil senior Sue Phillips takes a mighty swing at the ball during the opening game with the Raiders. The Westfield High School girls defeated the Scotch Plains-Fanwood girls, 9-7.

BRUNETTO AND LEONARDIS LEAD THE OFFENSE

Blue Devil Softballers Snare Late Lady Raider Rally, 9-7

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

Junior Katy Brunetto hit a triple, a double and a single and made two outstanding fielding plays and junior Kristen Leonardis crunched a two-run triple to lead the Westfield High School softball team to a 9-7 victory over the Scotch Plains-Fanwood girls in Westfield on April 1. Blue Devil left fielder Katie Richards snared a line drive off the bat of Katie Church to halt a seventh-inning Raider rally.

The Raiders struck first in the top of the first when senior Diana Mendez, who walked, stole second and third, then scored on a wild

pitch. In the bottom of the inning, Brunetto chopped a single to left, Sue Phillips looped a single to center, then Liz McKeon wiggled an RBI single past third. An errant throw from the catcher allowed Phillips to score, giving the Blue Devils a 2-1 lead.

Key defensive plays in the second inning prevented the Raiders from bursting through with big inning; however, they did manage to take over the lead, 3-2. Raiders Jan Weiner hacked a single to short and Jen Doyle yanked a single to right field, but Brunetto fielded the ball and fired it to third in time to nail Weiner.

With two outs, Jen Vanderhoff stepped to the plate and whacked an RBI triple over the head of Devil center fielder Paige Corbett, then scored on a misdirected relay. Stewart sizzled a single to right-center, but was later picked off attempting to steal second by catcher Phillips.

The Raiders returned the favor in the bottom of the inning when Doyle, the catcher, threw out Richards, who singled, as she also tried to steal second. That out proved important as the Blue Devils went on to score three runs in the inning when Erika Van Anglen walked, Courtney Thornton singled, Leonardis lashed her two-run triple, then scored on a passed ball.

The Blue Devils upped their lead to 7-3 in the third when McKeon drew a walk and scored on Richards' slicing triple to right, then Richards scored on Van Anglen's single to center. The Raiders scored a run in the fourth when Vanderhoff curled an RBI single to center.

Leonardis grounded a single up the middle to lead off the bottom of the fourth. Brunetto blasted an RBI triple to deep left field, then Phillips brought her home with a sacrifice fly to center to give the Blue Devils a 9-4 lead.

Pitching prevailed in the fifth and sixth innings with neither team scoring. Raider sophomore pitcher Alicia Piniat was impressive as she struck out the side in the fifth.

Not giving up, the Raiders made their final offensive rush in the seventh. After Brunetto made a great running stab in right field of a line shot from Raider Lauren Schwartz, Megan Miller reached first on an error. Piniat pounded an RBI triple down the right field line and Weiner drew a walk. Doyle drilled a single to

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HASSAN, SCHLEGEL LEAD CHARGE

Raider Netmen Bring Experience to Court

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

A more experienced Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School boys tennis team will take to the courts this season. Last year, the Raiders had a slow start with their youthful team but finished strong with a 13-7 season and placed sixth in the Union County Tournament.

Although, they will miss the excellent skills of first singles player Mike Bostwick who completed his senior season with a 20-3 record, the Raiders have had several prospects who vied for the singles positions.

Senior Co-Captain Dave Hassan played second singles last year and finished with a 7-11 record. Junior Co-Captain Chris Schlegel and sophomore John Corbin teamed at first doubles last year and placed sixth in the Union County Tournament. Schlegel finished at 12-8 and Corbin finished at 12-7. Schlegel recently beat out Hassan for the first singles spot and Corbin edged junior Paul Swedlund the third singles spot.

Junior Shawn Lafkowitz and Swedlund paired well at second doubles last year. Lafkowitz and Swedlund, who placed fourth in the county tournament, were effective last year with respective records of 14-6 and 14-7. Swedlund will be pairing with senior John Garozzo for the first doubles spot and Lafkowitz will pair with either sophomores Robbie Bugg or Dave Sigmon at second doubles.

Other players with varsity experience are freshmen Doug Gillie, Amit Shoor and John Cameron who competed occasionally at second doubles. Gillie finished with a 2-2 record, Shoor was 2-0 and Cameron was 3-0.

Raider Head Coach Dave Blackman, in his 13th year, has amassed a remarkable 216-51 record

and has been in the process of evaluating his team.

"I feel that we should be better than our 13-7 record from last year," said Blackman. "The kids who are playing are the same from last year. We are always going to have those solid doubles players. The key will be how the singles react."

Blackman can expect stiff competition from the usual rivals of Westfield and Cranford for both the Watchung Conference and Union County titles.

"Westfield is not as strong as they have been in their glory years, but it's still Westfield," pointed out Blackman. "Either Jeff Diamond or Sam Fleder may be their No. 1 player

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David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
RAIDER BOYS TENNIS CO-CAPTAINS...Senior Dave Hassan, left, and junior Chris Schlegel have been selected as the Raider Co-Captains. The Raiders expect to improve upon their 13-7 record from last year.

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TWO LEGENDS OF GOLF...Junior Steve Busch, left, and senior John Cosmos are expected to lead the Raider golf team to a successful season.

Raider Golfers Feature Several Young Players

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

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School varsity golf team features nearly an entirely new group of starting players this year. Most of the top golfers have graduated including Eric Schnellberger and Jim Thomson.

For the first few weeks of the season, the young Raiders may be jockeying for position. "All of our guys are very close in their scores right now," said Raider Head Coach Steve Ciccotelli. "As I was looking over their averages, they are all within .5 of each other."

Junior Steve Busch whose father is the pro at Shackamaxon Golf Club has had plenty of playing time last year and looks promising. Senior John Cosmos also played last year and will help. Sophomore Louie Schultz has some experience from last year.

Senior Matt McCarthy has been hitting the ball well at the driving range and shows a lot of promise.

The Raiders' home course is the Scotch Hills Club which has not opened until March 29. Because of that, the Raiders have been forced to get almost all of their experience

on the driving range during the pre-season.

"We start with the lower clubs, then work up to the woods. You don't want to take too many swings with the bigger clubs in the beginning," pointed out Ciccotelli. "I try to help the kids by making necessary corrections."

Fortunately, during this pre-season, most of the Raiders have gotten opportunities to golf on their own time.

"Once Scotch Hills opens, then we will be over there every day," explained Ciccotelli. (Interview was taken prior to March 29).

As to his outlook for the season, Ciccotelli said, "We really only have two seniors and are very young, but we have a lot of freshmen out who are very talented. I think that we will be up there in the middle of the pack which will probably be led by Westfield, Union and maybe Cranford."

The Raiders did get off on the right foot by defeating Wardlaw-Hartridge, 197-229 at the par 33 Scotch Hills course on April 1. McCarthy led the Raiders with a 37. Cosmos fired a 38, Schultz had a 39, David Lief had a 40 and Busch finished with a 43.



HEADING FOR THE GOAL...Blue Devil laxer Mike Stotler, No. 17, heads toward the goal during a game with the Summit Hilltoppers.

Blue Devil Golfers Return Powerhouse to the Course

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More talent and experience have come through the swings of juniors Brian Mann and Jeff Weber. Both had several fine performances last year and both finished with season averages of 42.8. Presently, Weber will occupy the No. 3 golf slot and Mann may fill the No. 5 slot after sophomore Josh Rogers recently won the No. 4 slot.

"A real surprise to me has been Josh Rogers who has wrestled the No. 4 spot from Brian Mann," said Turnbull. "We have five solid players. Right now, we are looking for that sixth player."

Turnbull further pointed out how he works on each player individually. "I take some kids over here to work on various aspects of the game. With Josh, I am working on knock down shots to turn the ball into the wind. Another kid, I will work on how to handle the short game under pressure and another, we work on hitting the ball higher."

Turnbull continued, "Shorts games are very important. Anybody who can chip a ball up onto a green from 40-yards out or get out of a sand trap and onto the green in one will find that their scores will go down."

Turnbull pointed out that there are seven or eight players who are vying for the sixth position. "Sometimes, one of them has a good round, then later, they may fall apart under pressure. We need somebody who we know is going to be there. We need to know that our sixth player will come in with a 44 or a 43."

Freshman Erin Cockran is among

the contenders for the sixth spot. "She has been very steady. I'm very pleased with her," commented Turnbull.

Several Blue Devils, Alex Dupre, Roger Curlik, Matt Morrison, Dan Maus, Evan Smith, Claude Fusco and Andrew Osborn, all had respectable averages last year and will add depth to the team.

When asked who may emerge as the Blue Devils toughest competitors in Union County, Turnbull answered, "I don't know how much Union has. I know that Jerry Chen injured himself skiing and won't be playing," answered Turnbull prior to the Union match.

Turnbull did mention that Cranford has most of its players back and will be very strong and Tom Doyle of New Providence is very strong and could be a threat for individual honors.

The Blue Devils opened their season against the very tough Union High School team and were shocked to see a healthy Chen who shot the lowest round of a one-under par 35 at Suburban Golf Club in Union on April 1. The Blue Devils, however, prevailed and defeated the Farmers, 165-181. Mann came through with the best Blue Devil score of 39. Bramnick fired a 40, Kashlak shot a 41 and Weber finished with a 45.

Area High School Golf Results:

APRIL 1:
Immaculata 164, Governor Livingston 210
(Green Knoll, par 36)
Immaculata: Dave Hunt 40, Jim Foley 40, Mike Foley 42, Brian Hart 42, Eric Kuoblos 44
Governor Livingston: Mike Dwyer 50, Jacob Dedrio 51, Greg Dempsey 54, Scott Santos 55, Chris Deo 57

Raider Netmen Bring Experience

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and they are always tough. They should be a good team."

Blackman continued, "I think the tough teams will be, as usual, Westfield and probably Cranford. I believe we will be the three teams fighting it out in the Watchung Conference."

Blackman also pointed out that "Summit will be very tough. They showed that in the Union County Tournament last year."

The Raiders open with Cranford at home on April 9, then travel to Westfield on April 12.

SINGLES:

1st: - Chris Schlegel
2nd: - Dave Hassan
3rd: - John Corbin

DOUBLES:

1st: - Paul Swedlund and John Garozzo
2nd: - Shawn Laskowitz and Robbie Bugg or Dave Sigmon

Tezucar, Melendez and Feeley Named First Team All-Union in Wrestling

Westfield High School senior Onur Tezucar and Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School seniors Tony Melendez and Jim Feeley were named to the First Team All-Union County Wrestling list by the *Star Ledger*. Tezucar at 152, Melendez at 130 and Feeley at heavyweight all qualified for the state tournament in Atlantic City.

Brett Vanderveer at 119 and Fred Williams at 189 of Governor Livingston also were named to the First Team along with 140-lb. Donnie DeFilippis of New Providence, 171-lb. Mike Mergott of Johnson and 215-lb. Pat Ekstrom of Cranford.

Other First Team wrestlers were: Dan Appello at 103, Lou Panetta at 112, Craig Frost at 135 and Kevin Kolbeck at 160 of Roselle Park, Louis Ott at 125 of Rahway and Attila Vigilante at 145 of Brearley.

Tim Marcantonio at 160 of Governor Livingston was named to the Second Team and teammate Kris Lecomte at 140 along with Raider Gary Cousar at 189 were named to the Third Team.

Woodward Named All-State 2nd Team

Scotch Plains-Fanwood senior Blair Woodward has been selected to the *Star Ledger* Second Team All-State Boys Winter Track for his efforts in the high jump. Woodward has cleared 6'10" and just missed 7'0" which would have made him No. 1. Woodward also made the First Team All-Group 3 list.

Devil Keglers Named Team of the Year

The Westfield High School bowling team has been named as the All-North Section 2 Team of the Year by the *Star Ledger* and Blue Devil Head Coach Mike Tirone has been selected as the Coach of the Year. Blue Devils Brett Rosenblatt and Evan Baum were named to the All-North Section 2 First Team list.

The Blue Devils have won or shared its Watchung Conference division championship in eight of the past nine years. This season, the Blue Devils shared the title with Cranford. Also the Blue Devils have qualified for the state championships seven times in this decade. In addition, they won the North Jersey, Section 2 title and placed seventh in the state tournament.

Baum led the Blue Devils with a 198.7 average and Rosenblatt was right behind him with a 198.3 average. Although not making the list, teammates Tim Caprarro, Dan Rock and Chris Marotta finished with respective averages of 187, 180 and 176. J. T. Wilkinson of Union Catholic was named to the Third Team list.

Raider Golf Note:

The pre-season interview with coach Ciccotelli took place, prior to the opening of the Scotch Hills Golf Course.



LOOKING FOR A CLEARING...Blue Devil Ricky Lang, No. 41, fights for position and looks for a clearing.

Raiders, Devils Dominate County Boys Swimming

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School and Westfield High School boys swimming teams dominated the *Star Ledger* First Team All-Union County Boys Swimming list, capturing 11 of the 12 events. Raider Head Coach Jessica Hulnik was named Coach of the Year and senior Dave Russ has been selected as the Union County Swimmer of the Year.

The Raiders, also named as the Team of the Year, took eight of first team events and the Blue Devils picked up three. During their outstanding, 15-1, season, the Raiders won the Union County title by out-pointing a strong Westfield team, that had dominated the county tournament for 42 years. Also, the Raiders won the Watchung Conference title and the North Jersey, Public A sectional championship.

Russ was named for his efforts in the 50-freestyle. During the Union County Championships, he captured his third-consecutive 50-freestyle title, recording a time of :22.47. Russ also won the 100-freestyle event in :49.66 and anchored the winning

200-yard freestyle and 200-yard medley relays with respective times of 1:33.11 and 1:43.17.

The Raiders were named to the first team in all three relay events, the 200-freestyle, the 200-medley and the 400-freestyle. Raiders Steve Coles took the first team slot in the diving event, Jeff Wagner took the 100-backstroke, Steve Berkowitz took the 200-individual medley and Charlie Rowe took the 200-freestyle.

Blue Devil Seth Burstein dominated the 100-butterfly event, and teammates Cliff Haldeman and Jay Pollack were named first in the 100-freestyle and in the 500-freestyle, respectively.

Blue Devils Scott Kautzman in the 100-freestyle, Devin Power in the 200-freestyle and Paul Kolterjahn in the 500-freestyle were named to the Second Team. The Blue Devil relay teams made the Second Team in the 200-freestyle, the 200-medley and the 400-freestyle relays. Raiders Chris Karels in the 200-individual medley and Chris Swenson in the 100-breaststroke also were named to the Second Team.

Blue Devils Kyle McCloskey in the 200-freestyle and Matthew Vidovich in the 100-breaststroke were named to the Third Team.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-9334-98.
COLUMBIA NATIONAL, INCORPORATED, PLAINTIFF vs. DONALD HOWELL, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES, ET ALS, DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 21, 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 14TH DAY OF APRIL A.D., 1999 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 \$105,421.98.
MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth.
COUNTY: Union, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.
STREET AND STREET NO: 506 Bond Street.
TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 3, LOT: 884.
DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 25.00 feet x 100.00 feet.
NEAREST CROSS STREET: 100.00 feet from Fifth Street.
There is due approximately the sum of \$108,275.05 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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-13123-98.
AMRESKO RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. TIWAN BAKER, DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 7, 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 14TH DAY OF APRIL A.D., 1999 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 \$107,239.37.
The property to be sold is located in the municipality of ELIZABETH in the County of UNION and State of New Jersey.
Commonly known as 307 SOUTH PARK STREET, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY.
Tax Lot 3, BLOCK 946.
Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 25.00 feet wide by 100.00 feet long.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-19562-98.
NORWEST MORTGAGE, INCORPORATED, PLAINTIFF vs. CARRIE F. DRAUGHN, ET ALS., DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 30, 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 21ST DAY OF APRIL A.D., 1999 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 \$83,394.31.
Property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as 1010 East Grand Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
BEING KNOWN as Lot No. 446, Block No. 8 on the official Tax Map of the City of Elizabeth.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-6144-98.
FIRST UNION NATIONAL BANK, PLAINTIFF vs. ROYSTON A. LEWARS, ET AL., DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 12, 1999 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.
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The judgment amount is \$99,964.26.
Property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, County of Union, State of New Jersey.
Premises commonly known as 40 Prospect Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201.
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Dimensions: (approximately) 24 feet x 100 feet.
Nearest Cross Street: East Jersey Street.
There is due approximately the sum of \$102,674.32 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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-7335-98.
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III, PLAINTIFF vs. JOSEPH ORNSTEIN, ET UX, ET AL, DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 8, 1999 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.
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The judgment amount is \$137,030.33.
Township/City: City of Elizabeth.
Lot: Account No. 1030; Block: Ward 10.
Street Address: 85 Hillside Road.
Nearest Cross Street: Baldwin Place.
Approximate Lot Dimensions: 50 x 128.35 square feet.
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Devil Netmen Seem Strong, Have Depth

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brother Alan also has been playing quite well which will strengthen the Blue Devils' attack.

"Peter and his brother Alan have improved tremendously," claimed Kapner. "Peter has beaten both (senior) Tom O'Connell and (sophomore) Ryan Jones for the position."

Jones and O'Connell have been among a number of Blue Devils who were battling for the doubles spots. Brett and Chris Benson who played second doubles and Warren and Jeremy Chilkil who played first doubles last year, are also mixed with freshmen Devin Power, Grant McLaughlin and Griffin Maloney for the doubles positions.

"We had a lot of guys who played doubles last year until we got the right team," said Kapner.

"I believe that we are stronger than we were last year," commented Kapner. "A lot will depend on how well Sam will hold up at first singles. A lot will also depend on how well Peter Yu holds up on experience."

Summit gave the Blue Devils a run for their money in the Union County Tournament and are expected to be very tough again. "They absolutely are going to give us a run for our money this year," expressed Kapner. "They have most of their team back. I also believe that Berkeley Heights is pretty solid this year. It's not going to be easy. It's not going to be a walk away."

The Blue Devils have won the Union County Tournament eight years in a row and have won the Watchung Conference nine years in a row.

Westfield traveled to Old Bridge on April 7 for its season opener.

Coxson Gets 2nd Team All-State

Westfield High School junior Jesse Coxson has been selected to the *Star Ledger* Second Team All-State Girls Swimming list for her accomplishments in the 500-freestyle event. Union Catholic senior Lisa Dolansky was named to the Third Team for her efforts in the 100-backstroke.

Indian Boys Stop Raiders, 11-6

Despite getting 11 hits, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School baseball team could not stop Rahway as the Indians mounted a 14-hit attack in Scotch Plains on April 3 and returned home with an 11-6 victory. Raider senior Kevin Voessler went three-for-three with a double and scored a run.

Down 5-0, the Raiders tied the score in the bottom of the third with doubles from Dan Gorrhy, Joe Franzone and Tim Pei. Later, junior Dave Herrmann added a double.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE TOWN BANK OF WESTFIELD
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1999
TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE TOWN BANK OF WESTFIELD:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Shareholders Meeting of The Town Bank of Westfield (the "Bank") will be held at the Echo Lake Country Club, Springfield Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey 07090 on April 22, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time, for the purpose of considering the voting upon:

- (1) A proposal to elect fourteen (14) directors of the Bank to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Shareholders and until their successors are duly elected and qualified.
 - (2) A proposal to approve and adopt an amendment to the Bank's Certificate of Incorporation whereby the authorized capitalization of the Bank will be increased to 1,500,000 shares of Common Stock \$5.00 par value per share.
 - (3) A proposal to approve and adopt the Company's 1999 Director's Stock Option Plan.
 - (4) A proposal to approve and adopt the Company's 1999 Employee Stock Option Plan.
 - (5) A proposal to ratify the appointment of KPMG Peat Marwick as the external auditors for the Bank for the 1999 fiscal year end.
 - (6) Such other business as may properly come before the meeting and any adjournment thereof.
- By Order of the Board of Directors
Nicholas A. Frungillo, Jr.
Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 26, 1999
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David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
FACE-DIVING BACK TO FIRST...Blue Devil Jeff Bendix dives back to first to avoid being tagged out by the Shabazz first baseman. Bendix stole second on the next pitch.

Devil 9 Pummel Bulldogs, 13-1

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in the top of the fifth. Johnson faced only four Bulldogs, striking out two, forcing a ground out and allowing one walk.

The new Blue Devil pitchers did show promise in their first outing, especially Majoche. "I like to have the kids, especially the young kids to have success on the first outing," said Head Coach Bob Brewster. "He said that he was very nervous. His first seven balls were out of the strike zone but he began to settle down."

Brewster added, "As the game went on, he became better and better. He found the strike zone and had a little pop on the ball. It was good to see that, especially the first time. You want to see the boys have success the first time. If they are not doing well, it is not a good thing because it is going to play that way the whole way through their career."

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Cougar Nine Top Blue Devils, 8-5

The Westfield High School baseball team staged a rally in the seventh inning, but the Cougars held them off for the win, 8-5, in Cranford on April 5. Cranford upped its record to 3-0 while the Blue Devils slipped to 3-1.

****See full account of the game in the "Special Issue" of April 15. ****



ONE TOUGH CUSTOMER...Blue Devil senior Liza Yannuzzi, center, makes her presence felt during a girls lacrosse scrimmage game with Peddie.

Soccer Skills & Drills Announces Classes

Soccer Skills and Drills is enrolling students for its next session which begins the week of April 12. There will be a 45:00 presentation on Saturday, April 10 at 3:45 p.m. Please call Tom Turnbull, School Director at (908) 753-8340 for reservations.

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SHERIFF'S SALE
 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-9930-96.
 CAPITAL ASSET RESEARCH FUNDING 1997 A-LP, PLAINTIFF vs. MARY MAGDALENE HALTZWINGER, ET ALS, DEFENDANT.
 CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED DECEMBER 30, 1998 FOR SALE OF MORTGAGED PREMISES.
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 The judgment amount is \$7,113.16.
 The property to be sold is located in the City of Elizabeth, in the County of UNION, and State of New Jersey.
 Commonly known as: 1012 Laura Street, City of Elizabeth, New Jersey.
 Tax Lot No. 1102, Block No. 08.
 Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 27 feet wide by 100 feet long.
 Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the southerly side of Laura Street, approximately 145 feet from the westerly side of Spring Street.
 There is due approximately the sum of \$7,476.31 together with lawful interest and costs.
 There is a full legal description on file in the Union County Sheriff's Office.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-12877-95.
 HAVEN SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF vs. STANLEY F. BUDD AND SHIRLEY N. BUDD, HIS WIFE; ET ALS, DEFENDANT.
 CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 4, 1999 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 28TH DAY OF APRIL, A.D., 1999 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 \$14,377.98.
 The property to be sold is located in the TOWN OF WESTFIELD, in the County of UNION, and the State of New Jersey.
 Commonly known as: 428 PALSTED AVENUE, WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07090.
 Tax Lot No. 27 in Block No. 2607.
 Dimensions of the Lot are (Approximately) 108.65 feet wide by 63.63 feet long.
 Nearest Cross Street: Situated on the NORTHEASTERLY side of PALSTED AVENUE, 269.05 feet from the SOUTHEASTERLY side of SOUTH AVENUE.
 There is due approximately the sum of \$14,931.25 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-754282 (WL)
 4 T - 4/1, 4/8,
 4/15 & 4/22/99 Fee: \$171.36

Bird Becomes MVP in Ice Hockey All-Star Game

Westfield High School senior Mike Bird scored a hat trick (three goals) and had two assists to lead the National team over the American team, 13-5, in the Sixth Annual Ice Hockey All-Star Game for seniors at the Mennen Arena in Morris Township on March 30. For his efforts, Bird was named the game's



David B. Corbin for The Leader and The Times
Devil Iceman Mike Bird

Most Valuable Player.
 With the Nationals nursing a 6-4 lead, Bird came to life and scored all of his goals in the third period which broke the game wide open. Another very influential Blue Devil senior Ronnie Kashlak also fired in a goal during that period as the Nationals outscored the Americans, 7-1.
 "Maybe with my goals and just playing with Ronnie Kashlak, they must have noticed the Westfield line," commented Bird of how he got his MVP recognition. "Ronnie did very well also. He had one goal and three assists."
 Both Bird and Kashlak were major factors in getting the Blue Devils their No. 4 ranking among public schools this year. Kashlak, the state's leading scorer with 59 goals and second in total points, received All-National B First Team recognition and Bird received Honorable Mention. Teammate Brandon Kape was named to the Third Team.
 Bird, who originally is from Markham, Ontario, Canada will attend Acadia University near Halifax, Nova Scotia and definitely plans to play hockey.



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
A SWING AND "WHOOOPS"...Blue Devil Courtney Thornton takes a big swing but the ball completes its journey to the glove of Raider catcher Jen Doyle.

Union County High School Softball Results:

APRIL 1:
Roselle Park 6, Mount St. Mary 3
 Panther Jerrain Davidson struck out nine and Holly Swick drilled two doubles, had an RBI and scored a run in the 10-hit attack.
Roselle Park 130 002 0 6
Mt. St. Mary 020 001 0 3
A. L. Johnson 9, Roselle Catholic 3
 Kim Racon tripled and doubled for the Crusaders.
Union 15, Elizabeth 5
 The Lady Minutemen did not have a chance as the Farmers plowed them under in Union. Kelly Ford tossed a four-hitter.
Rahway 7, Linden 2
 Indian pitching ace Dana Siles went on the offensive and hit two singles and drove in two runs.

APRIL 3:
Bound Brook 7-11, Brearley 0-0
 Sophomore Rachael Coddington tossed two one-hitters to sweep the doubleheader. The Brook played as the visitors in the second game.
Brearley 000 000 0 0
Bound Brook 700 000 x 7
Brearley 000 000 0 0
Bound Brook 060 120 2 11

Cranford 4, Linden 0
 Sam Marano threw a three-hitter and Kelly Murphy tapped an RBI single in the first inning for the Cougars who won their opener.

Union 13, Kearny 9
 The Farmers won the slugfest. Raynesha Adams had four singles, a double and drove in three runs.

Elizabeth 14, Irvington 1
 The Lady Minutemen damaged the Blue Knights. Amy Paul pitched a two-hitter and struck out 10.

Summit 23, Madison 5
 The Hilltoppers were definitely on top as they launched a 19-hit attack. Stephanie Bruce homered and drove in five runs and Kristen McDermott mashed two home runs.

J. P. Stevens 6, Westfield 0
 Krystle Petty missed a perfect game when she allowed a walk in the seventh inning in Edison. Petty recorded 13 strike outs for the Hawks who upped their record to 1-0.
Westfield (1-1) 000 000 0 0
J. P. Stevens 303 000 x 6

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
 SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-17598-98.
 FIRST NATIONWIDE MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. ROBERT L. COPPEDGE, ET AL, DEFENDANT.
 CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 19, 1999 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 5TH DAY OF MAY A.D., 1999 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 \$167,929.27.
 ALL the following described property located in the Town of Westfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey:
 BEING shown and designated as Lot No. 11, Block No. 146, on a certain map entitled "Map of Brightwood Estates, situated in the Town of Westfield, Union County, New Jersey, Scale 1 inch equals 50 feet, dated April 21, 1964, revised June 8, 1964 and further revised February 17, 1965. Harry L. Paff Associates, Inc., Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, Scotch Plains, New Jersey, filed on February 23, 1965 in the Union County Clerk's Office as Map No. 599A.
 COMMONLY known as 916 Brown Avenue, Westfield, New Jersey 07090.
 BEING also known as Lot No. 11, Block No. 146 on the tax map of the Town of Westfield.
 IT is intended to describe the same premises conveyed to Robert L. Coppedge and Shirley A. Coppedge, his wife, by deed dated April 8, 1985, recorded on April 15, 1985, in the Union County Register's Office in Deed Book 3401, Page 223.
 There is due approximately the sum of \$172,355.36 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
 ZUCKER, GOLDBERG, BECKER & ACKERMAN, Attorney
 1139 Spruce Drive
 P.O. Box 1024
 Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024
 CH-754299 (WL)
 4 T - 4/8, 4/15,
 4/22 & 4/29/99 Fee: \$214.20



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
HOPPING A SINGLE PAST SHORT...Raider Jan Weiner hops a single past shortstop during the softball game with the Blue Devils in Westfield on April 1.

Blue Devil Softballers Snare Late Lady Raider Rally, 9-7

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left, scoring Piniat, Vanderhoff was hit by a pitch, then Weiner scored on a fielder's choice to narrow the score to 9-7. With two outs, a runner on third and the tying run on second, Church clocked a liner to left, but Richards snared it for the final out.

"I heard the crack of the bat and took off for it," explained Brunetto of her great catch in the seventh inning. "I didn't know whether it was mine or Paige's so I just went for it. I had some doubts. It was luck, I guess."

On her first outing this season, Blue Devil sophomore pitcher Lindsey Guerriero yielded 11 hits, walked five and hit one batter while striking out three.

"I thought Lindsey did okay," said Blue Devil Head Coach Maggie McFadden. "I think that she could be a little more consistent. She was a little wild today and got behind a lot of batters. It was a tough day to pitch. It was wet. It was muddy. She was fighting the elements, but you can see that the other pitcher had the same problems."

Referring to Guerriero's control, McFadden added, "Too many! Too many walks. She got behind too many batters. To pitch on the varsity level, she must learn to get ahead of the batters."

McFadden did find some brightness in the Blue Devils' offense but expressed concern for the defense. "Teamwise, we hit the ball well. Katy Brunetto did a nice job. Kristen Leonardi came up big. She hit the ball well. She hit over .300 last year. I am pleased with the way they hit; however, defensively, they have a lot of work to do."

Piniat showed some definite potential in her first varsity pitching appearance as she struck out 10 Blue Devils and walked only two. Despite the loss, Raider Head Coach Frank Butz did find some shining light with his team's resilience and tenacity and especially Piniat's first outing. "I was happy with her. She did very well this early in the season."

Sc Plains-Fanwd	120	100	3	7
Westfield	232	200	x	9



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
SIZZLING SINGLE TO CENTER...Raider Jen Stewart swings and sizzles a single to right-center field. See additional picture on page 17.

Lady Highlanders Stomp Hillside Softballers, 15-0

By FRED LECOMTE
 Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Opening day for the Governor Livingston High School softball team started in grand fashion. It took the mandatory five innings to send Hillside home with a 15-0 defeat on April 1. The Hillside line up, consisting of last years junior varsity team, proved to be no challenge for the Highlanders.

Heather Kantorek had six RBI in the game with a grand slam in the first inning and a solo home run in the third. Jen Calabrese thumped a two-run shot and Gina Piccarillo crashed a solo shot in the 13-run first inning in Berkeley Heights. Pitching star, Gina Turturiello, was most impressive and recorded her first win of the season by pitching a shutout and striking out seven batters. The Highlander infield never allowed a single ball to leave the infield.

Kantorek, after walking in the first inning, returned to the plate in the same inning and blasted her grand slam shot into center field. Piccarillo, also added another hit.

The remainder of the Highlanders also had a field day offensively. Jenny Calabrese went two-for-two with a triple, Heather McDonald was one-for-two, and Gina Pisano, Heather Kantorek, Ellen Findlay and center fielder AnnaMarie Calabrese also went two-for-two.

Pitching for the Comets was sophomore Diana Matos who struggled in her first outing. Hillside coach Kelly Davis' primary goal will be "to look for some sort of consistency this year and strive to improve on our defensive plays."

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Sc Pl-Fnw (1-1)	000	102	3	06
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Hillside	0 00 00	0
Gov. Livingston	(13)10 1x	15

Westfield Baseball League Summer Traveling Team

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For More Info Contact Stephen Leonardis 908-654-4139



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
MAKING THE PUTOUT...Governor Livingston Highlander Hank Hansen makes the putout on a Cranford Cougar.

Hot Cougars Pounce Upon G. L. Highlander Nine, 9-1

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

Senior right-hander Pat Maher scattered a five hitter and the Cougars took an early offensive initiative as the Cranford High School baseball team defeated the Governor Livingston squad, 9-1, in Cranford on April 3. Maher also got the offensive started with a two-run triple in the first inning.

After Maher retired the first three Highlander batters in the first inning, the Cougars immediately jumped on pitcher Bob Phillips in their half of the inning. Senior Bobby Haber ripped a leadoff single by the shortstop and John Polonitzer reached first safely on an error. After Rob Seegar popped out to short, Maher stepped to the plate and sliced his two-run triple down the right field line.

The assault continued. Tim Meyer chopped a twenty-foot RBI single down the third baseline, Andy Kinder popped out to second, then Angel Naverette slapped a single over second base. Terry Donovan bashed an RBI single over second to up the score to 4-0. Rob Sands tapped an RBI single over the second baseman's head and Haber hit a chopper which was mishandled by the second baseman. Donovan

scores, then Sands came barreling home but was thrown out to finally end the inning.

In the second inning, Highlander Hank Hansen popped out to center, Eric Cantagallo ground out to third and Derek Whritenour drilled a grounder to the third baseman who dove to knock it down, but Whritenour beat out the throw. Frank Cavallo popped out to Maher for the third out.

After the tragic first inning, Phillips began to settle down and retired all three batters in the second. Maher continued to be tough and allowed only a single to Phillips in the third. The Highlanders got a scare in the third when Donovan crushed a two-out triple over the left fielder's head, but Phillips got the next batter, Sands, to ground out to short.

Throughout the game, the Cougar defense appeared to be in mid-season form while the Highlanders' defense was still adjusting. Phillips continued to settle down after that disastrous first inning and allowed only one more run before leaving the mound.

The Cougars upped their record to 2-0 while the Highlanders evened at 1-1.

Gov Livingston	000	100	0	1
Cranford	600	012	x	9

Union County High School Baseball Results:

APRIL 1: New Providence 16, St. Mary's 0

Pioneer senior Kim Coleman struck out five and walked three en route to a five-inning one-hitter. Ryan Stanek slammed a two-run triple and Peter Paradise slashed a two-run single in the Pioneers' seven-run first inning. Senior Tim Simo also had three RBI in the Pioneers' 16-hit assault.

St. Mary's (Eliz)	000	00	0
New Providence	723	4x	16

Governor Livingston 13, Hillside 3

Highlander Mark Cantagallo hammered two triples, scored three runs and drove in four in Hillside. Derek Whritenour had four RBI and pitcher Dan Bussiccolo tossed a five-hitter.

Gov Livingston	517	00	13
Hillside	010	02	3

Cranford 10, Shabazz 0

Senior Rob Seegar whacked three doubles and a single and sophomore pitcher Tom Polito fired a one-hitter as the Cougars pounced the Bulldogs in Cranford. Polito struck out nine and walked only two Bulldogs. Senior Pat Maher crushed a two-run homer in the third inning.

Delbarton 5, Summit 2
Mike Nelson had two singles and an RBI for the Hilltoppers in their defeat.

A. L. Johnson 7, Roselle Catholic 1
Crusader Dan DiAntonio threw a three-hitter, struck out eight and walked three and teammate Hank Furstenburg thumped a three-run triple.

Plainfield 5, Irvington 3

Anthony Jackson ripped a double, cracked an RBI triple and scored a run for the victorious Cardinals.

Plainfield	000	320	0	5
Irvington	100	020	0	3

APRIL 3: Elizabeth 7, Irvington 6

The highly-ranked Minutemen had to scramble to overcome a 5-2 deficit. Ishmael Medley hammered a two-run homer in the third to tie the score, then Jon Mena drilled an RBI double in the fourth.

Plainfield 6, Newark East Side 5

The Cardinals used larceny (eight stolen bases) to snatch the game away from the Red Raiders in Plainfield. Catcher Shiheem Kelly threw out four Red Raider base runners.

Newark East Side	022	000	1	5
Plainfield (2-0)	001	220	1	6

Kearyn 2, Union 0

The Cardinals stunned the Farmers when pitcher Jeff Gogal fired a two-hitter and struck out 13.

Kearyn (2-0)	001	100	0	2
Union (0-1)	000	000	0	0

A. L. Johnson 14, North Plainfield 4

The Crusaders were quite successful as Dave DiAntonio whacked four singles and Mike Seeberger had three hits.

N. Plainfield (0-1)	000	040	0	04
Johnson (2-0)	205	043	x	14

Roselle 9, St. Patrick's 8

Roselle scored three runs in the bottom of the seventh to pull out the victory.



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
TOP-NOTCHED PITCHERS...Pioneer pitchers Kim Coleman, left, and Todd Simo may be the best one, one A, vice versa punch in Union County this season. Last year the New Providence baseball team won the Group 1 State Championship.

SIMO, COLEMAN LEAD THE PITCHING

New Providence Has Proper Baseball Tools for Counties

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

This may be the year of the Group 1 and 2 high schools for baseball in Union County. New Providence, Group 1, and Governor Livingston, Group 2, are both loaded with talent and both stand a chance to take the Union County title. The Pioneers from New Providence, however, appear to have the most talented pitching staff.

Last year, the Pioneers finished with a 21-5 record, won the Mountain Valley Conference Valley Division, captured the North 2 Group 1 title and seized the New Jersey Group 1 title. Even better, the Pioneers returned nearly their entire team.

The Pioneers have two very effective pitchers in seniors Todd Simo and Kim Coleman and have good backup pitchers with seniors Ryan Stanek and Danny Opperthauer. Simo finished with a 10-1 record, winning all four state games, and Coleman finished with a 6-2 record while boasting a 0.63 earned run average.

"I have one and one A," explained Head Coach Tom Beck. "You can take your pick. I have Coleman or Simo or Simo or Coleman. They can both be anybody's number one pitcher and we just happen to have that luxury."

Beck added, "Ryan Stanek will pitch non-conference games and will be in there to pick up the slack for John Giunta who graduated.

sitting on his tail the other day in a scrimmage game," said Beck. "I believe he is the best catcher in the county."

When Stanek pitches, senior Tim Simo, also an outstanding catcher, will be behind the plate. Simo has been a scholar of his position and also has a strong, accurate arm. Stealing against him may turn out to be an unwise decision.

Beck pointed out that his lineup is very strong offensively for the first six batters and his seven, eighth and nine players can hunt real well.

"We are looking for a leadoff man right now," said Beck. "The two men with the best bat control right now are (senior) Pete Paradise and (freshman) Tom Beck, Jr. Both are also very fast."

Senior Mike Piccolo, a four-year starter, has an amazingly fine swing and is the Pioneers' best hitter, but Stanek, Coleman and Tim Simo can hammer the ball.

"Michael is the best hitter that I have ever coached. He does a lot of things wrong but everything right," commented Beck wittingly.

The Pioneers truly have a talented, experienced team and could cause some undulations in the Union County Tournament.

"I think that the main competition will be Cranford and the bigger schools like Elizabeth," commented Beck. "I think that we will be in the mix to be honest with you. It will be



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
SHOT TOWARD THIRD...Highlander Mark Cantagallo rips a shot toward third base during the game with the Cougars in Cranford on April 3.

SP-F Soccer Strikers Tie Montgomery Heat, 1-1

The SP-F Strikers tied the Montgomery Heat, 1-1, in a hard fought game on March 28. Against a strong wind, the Strikers opened with a breakthrough by Tyler Stanek. The Heat rebounded but was thwarted by great defensive play by Tommy Sutter.

Later, the Heat scored to take the lead against the Strikers. Rob Cunningham resumed the offensive feeding the ball to Ryan Krueger who drove downfield. Again, the Heat pushed back. Daniel LiVolsi took control of the ball with a skilled pass to Krueger who hammered a shot on goal.

In the second quarter, still against the wind, the Strikers continued their assault. Jeff Stuart pounded three powerful left foot shots on the Heat goalie only to have them blocked. Goalkeeper Brandon Reddington kept the heat from scoring and it was 0-1 at halftime.

In the second half, the Strikers de-

decided to show Montgomery a little heat of their own. Reddington stole the ball from Montgomery and hammered a powerful kick down field. Michael DeVizio executed a perfect corner kick to Sutter who's shot on goal was deflected. Next, Krueger stole the ball, fed it to Cunningham who passed to Stanek who shot on goal but was rejected. Following his last attempt and taking advantage of the wind, Stanek booted a 20 yard shot that scored to tie the game at 1-1.

Tim Stuart kept up the offensive pressure and fired onto the Heat goalie only to have his shot blocked. LiVolsi fed the ball to Stanek who's shot was just wide. Montgomery attempted to rebound but was rejected by goalie Jeff Stuart.

In the 4th quarter, Timmy Leischner and Eddie Kahn led the offensive assault for the Strikers. Using skilled footwork and aggressive play, Leischner kept the ball in Heat territory, setting up the Striker offense. Kahn controlled the right side of the field, centering the ball to Sutter who's shot was blocked by the Heat goal. After a series of heated assaults on Montgomery, the game ended in a 1-1 tie with the Strikers looking forward to their next encounter with Montgomery on their home field.



David B. Corbin for The Westfield Leader and The Times
PIONEER POUNDING CREW...New Providence can also provide plenty of punch with the "metal stick". Pioneers Tim Simo, left, Ryan Stanek, center, and Mike Piccolo are part of the pounding crew.

Danny 'O' is our left-hander out of the bullpen."

The Pioneers also have the luxury of having two outstanding catchers. Stanek, with four years as the starting catcher, may be the best defensive catcher in the county. He has an incredibly strong arm assisted with huge hands that make the baseball appear as a golf ball.

"He threw two guys out while

a tough road to haul for us. We are a small Group 1 school and it's going to be difficult to go against the big boys, but I think that we have the guns who can do that."

Viking Nine Quiet St. Mary's, 5-1

Senior Carlos Jefferson struck out nine, walked one and fired a one-hitter to lead the Union Catholic High School baseball team to a 5-1 victory over St. Mary's in its home opener in Scotch Plains on April 3.

Jefferson was also hot with the bat as he went two-for-three, drove in a run and scored a run. Willy White ripped a two-run double in the second and Eric Conrad drilled a two-run double in the third. Overall, the Vikings had 11 hits and committed only one error.

St. Mary's (0-2)	000	001	0	1
Union Catholic	122	000	x	5

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD ORDINANCE 99-10-R

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance No. 99-10-R
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7A OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD TO PROVIDE FOR EXEMPTIONS FROM PAYMENT OF MUNICIPAL FEES OR CHARGES FOR SECURING CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION PERMITS FOR DISABLED

was passed and adopted on the second and final reading at a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood held on April 5, 1999.

Eleanor McGovern
Borough Clerk
1 T - 4/8/99, The Times Fee: \$19.38

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD ORDINANCE 99-09-R

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance No. 99-09-R
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND DELIVERY BY THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD OF CERTAIN LEASE AGREEMENTS IN RELATION TO THE UNION COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED GENERAL OBLIGATION LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1999 (CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE PROGRAM)

was passed and adopted on the second and final reading at a Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood held on April 5, 1999.

Eleanor McGovern
Borough Clerk
1 T - 4/8/99, The Times Fee: \$22.95

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY, CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY, DOCKET NO. F-16002-98.

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC., PLAINTIFF vs. DORA BERRIOS, ET AL, DEFENDANT.

CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 25, 1999 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 5TH DAY OF MAY A.D., 1999 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 \$63,493.13. DOCKET NO. F-16002-98.

MUNICIPALITY: Elizabeth. COUNTY: Union STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

STREET AND STREET NO.: 829 Van Buren Street.

TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK: 8D, LOT: 1811.

DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 30.00 feet x 150.00 feet.

NEAREST CROSS STREET: 340.00 feet from North Avenue.

There is due approximately the sum of \$65,283.47 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 FROELICH
SHERIFF

WILLIAM M. E. POWERS, JR., Attorney
737 Stokes Road
P.O. Box 1088
Medford, New Jersey 08055-9962
CH-754305 (WL)

4 T - 4/8, 4/15,
4/22 & 4/29/99 Fee: \$165.24

SPF Youth Baseball

Opening Day Set

The Scotch Plains Fanwood Youth Baseball Association will start their 44th season Saturday, April 17, with Opening Day ceremonies at Booth Field, on Westfield Road and Valley Avenue at 9:30 a.m.

Scheduled to attend are Scotch Plains Mayor Geri Samuel, Fanwood Mayor Maryanne S. Connelly, Scotch Plains Fanwood High School Athletic Director Eric Rosenmeier, and Varsity Baseball Head Coach Brian Homm.

Awards presented will include the Distinguished Service Award to members Al Beninato, and Jim O'Connor. The James P. O'Brien Memorial Award to past Senior Division Players Patrick Meredith, and Shawn O'Connor. The David M. Ferro Memorial Sportsmanship Award to past Major Division Player Joe Wilkinson.

The association consists of 65 teams with 836 players aged from 6 to 15 years old and 260 managers and coaches. It provides Official Little League and Official Babe Ruth League Baseball to the youth of Scotch Plains and Fanwood.

PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD ORDINANCE NO. 99-05-S

The Bond Ordinance published herewith, Ordinance No. 99-05-S, has been finally adopted on April 5, 1999 by the Borough Council of the Borough of Fanwood and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the publication of this statement.

Eleanor McGovern
Borough Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 99-05-S AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES 96-5-S AND 96-12-S TO AMEND SECTION III OF ORDINANCE 96-5-S AND SECTION I OF ORDINANCE 96-12-S FOR THE PURPOSE OF REALLOCATING MONEYS FROM RECONSTRUCTION OF CERTAIN STREETS TO RESURFACING OF CERTAIN STREETS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood, in the County of Union, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

SECTION I.

Section III of Ordinance 96-5-S is amended to add a new subsection (p) and Section I of Ordinance 96-12-S is amended to reduce the amount of the appropriation by \$46,000, reduce the amount of the maximum amount of bonds or notes by \$43,700, and reduce the amount of the down payment by \$2,300, and transfer those amounts to subsections (a-d), as follows:

Purpose	Appropriation and Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount Of Bonds Or Notes	Down Payment	Period Of Usefulness
a-d) Reconstruction of North Ave., Glenwood Road, Pleasant Ave., and Thorne Pl.	\$188,000	\$178,600	\$9,400	15 years
p) Resurfacing of Waldon Road and Old South Ave. East	\$46,000	43,700	2,300	15 years

SECTION II.

The capital budget of the Borough of Fanwood is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

SECTION III.

This amendment to Bond Ordinance 96-5-S shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by New Jersey law.

ATTEST:
Eleanor McGovern, Borough Clerk
Maryanne S. Connelly, Mayor

1 T - 4/8/99, The Times Fee: \$96.90

PUBLIC NOTICE

1999 TOWN OF WESTFIELD DOWNTOWN DISTRICT MANAGEMENT CORPORATION RESOLUTION

Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget of the Town of Westfield Special Improvement District, County of Union, for the year 1999:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget for the year 1999, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Budget be published in the THE WESTFIELD LEADER in the issue of April 8, 1999;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Town of Westfield does hereby approve the following as the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget for the year 1999:

Recorded Vote:	Ayes	Mayor Jardim, Council members Gruba, Goldman, Albano, McDermott, Sullivan, Salisbury and Walsh
	Nay	0
	Abstain	0
	Absent	Weinstein

Notice is hereby given that the Downtown Westfield Corporation Budget was approved by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, on March 23, 1999.

A hearing on said Budget will be held at the Westfield Municipal Building on April 20, 1999 at 8:00 p.m. at which time and place objections to said Budget for the year 1999 may be presented by Downtown Special Improvement District taxpayers or other interested persons.

DOWNTOWN WESTFIELD CORPORATION SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 1999 BUDGET

REVENUES

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TAX	ANTICIPATED 1999
	\$281,200.00	\$281,200.00

APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	APPROPRIATIONS 1999
Operating	\$84,000.00
Salaries and Wages	\$197,200.00
Other Expenses	\$281,200.00
Total General Appropriations	\$281,200.00

1 T - 4/8/99, The Leader Fee: \$78.54

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF J. C. FAITH BERNOTAS, also known as J. C. FAITH S. BERNOTAS, Deceased.

Pursuant to the order of ANN P. CONTI, Surrogate of the County of Union, made on the 1st day of April, A.D., 1999, upon the application of the undersigned, as Executors of the estate of said deceased, notice is hereby given to the creditors of said deceased to exhibit to the subscriber under oath or affirmation their claims and demands against the estate of said deceased within six months from the date of said order, or they will be forever barred from prosecuting or recovering the same against the subscriber.

Patricia I. Bernotas and Donald Zyry
Executors

Joseph A. Lambriello, Attorney
Diamondhead Building
200 Sheffield Street
Suite 304
Mountainside, New Jersey 07092

1 T - 4/8/99, The Leader Fee: \$22.95



ARRIVING HOME SAFELY...Blue Devil Liz McKeon comes in to score during the opening day softball game with the Raiders.

Lady Highlanders Edge Warrior Softballers, 2-1

By FRED LECOMTE
Specially Written for The Westfield Leader and The Times

Two excellent high school softball teams, Governor Livingston and Watchung Hills, played in Berkeley Heights on April 3 and the Highlanders came up with an exciting, 2-1, victory. The match up featured ace pitchers Warrior Koley Stewart and Highlander Gina Turturiello.

The first hit of the game was delivered by Warrior Jen Grys, who doubled into center field. Meg Schneider followed with a single into the gap advancing Grys. An error allowed Grys to score giving the Warriors a 1-0 lead. Turturiello then went to work by retiring the side while recording two strikeouts in the inning.

Highlander Heather Kantorek, led off the bottom of the inning with a sharp single up the middle and followed with a stolen base. Ellen Findlay laid down a beautiful sacrifice bunt advancing her to third. Coach Jerry Britt then sent Kantorek, who has excellent speed, on to score on a passed ball, tying the game at 1-1.

Turturiello struck out the side in the second inning. Not to be outdone, Stewart struck out two of the three batters. Excellent play by the Highlander infield accounted for three quick outs in the top of the third. Once again Stewart struck out two more Highlanders in the bottom of the inning.

The Warriors threatened in the top of the fourth opening with a single, then by stealing second base. The Highlanders' defense stopped the threat with the out on a ground ball hit to second baseman Gina Pisanio. Also, the saving play of the game came when Warrior Lauren George attempted to steal third base and first baseman Heather McDonald fired a perfect strike to Findlay at third who made an excellent tag to retire the side.

Both pitchers dominated from the fifth inning until the bottom of the sixth. Coach Jerry Britt summoned his team together in the bottom of the sixth and told them, "we need to come up with some scoring this inning!"

After a bunt attempt failed, Kantorek, weathered eight pitches and drew a walk. Again her speed paid off as she stole second. Findlay laid a perfect sacrifice bunt along the third base line allowing Kantorek to advance, then Jenny Calabrese followed with a single over third to score Kantorek.

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Gov. Liv. (2-0) 100 001 x 02



SAFE ON A DROPPED BALL...Highlander Heather Kantorek makes it safely to third after the Watchung Hills Warrior third baseman drops the ball. Governor Livingston won, 2-1.

SP-F U-9 Soccer United Stop Edison United Dynamo, 3-1

The SP-F United U-9 boys put forth a tremendous team effort to hand the Edison United Dynamo their first loss on March 28. The Dynamo took an early 1-0 lead by capitalizing on a bit of havoc in front of the United goal. The United players quickly regained their composure, demonstrated excellent passing skills and tied the game before the half when Adam Brous scored on a pass from Brian Hessemmer.

The United defenders played a sensational game led by sweeper James DiNizo and defensive backs Kyle Mihansky and Bryan Dougher. Midfielders Tommy Hercel and Danny DeCataldo helped shut down the very fast Edison wingers.

Edison had a tougher time with the United wingers. Jarek Cohen, playing on the left, demonstrated excellent

footwork to break through the Dynamo defense and put several shots on goal. His speed, tenacity, and a particularly fine "shake 'n bake" move, set up the next goal by Hessemmer who blasted a shot from the 18 yard-line to give United a 2-1 lead.

Jackson Udelman, playing on the right, used lightning speed to move past the Dynamo and put forth several shots of his own. In the fourth quarter, Hessemmer pushed the ball out front to Udelman who broke away and scored the third United goal.

Edison never gave up. With just minutes remaining in the game, the Dynamo had worked their way in front of the United goal to fire several shots. Goalie Jordan Neuhauser made great saves each time. One particular effort had him diving to the far left to repel a shot. The Dynamo looked ready to score off the rebound but defender Evan Aspel had moved in to cover and clashed their hopes by quickly clearing the ball.

United player Brendan Kirby, out with an injury, provided his teammates with support and encouragement in the 3-1 victory. Overall, it was a terrific game.

St. Bart's Softball Starts 21st Year

This year marks the 21st season for the St. Bartholomew's Oldtimers Softball League of Scotch Plains. For the past 17 years, Dom Lawrence has been the Commissioner. Under Mr. Lawrence's leadership the league has grown from four teams to 10. The league is open to all men, 30 and over.

What separates this league from others in the area is that new teams are chosen each year. This makes it easy to meet the 150 players, in what sometimes seems more like a "fraternity" than a softball league. This year's player draft will be held on Tuesday, April 27, at 7 p.m. at the St. Bartholomew School Cafeteria, on the lower level.

The first game of the season will be played on 6:30 p.m., Friday, May 21 at Brookside Park, located on Hetfield Avenue in Scotch Plains. Why not come out and watch these geriatric marvels display their aging athleticism. You'll be sure to have a good time!

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Eleanor McGovern
Borough Clerk
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Westfield Killer Bees Finish Second in Morris Tourney

The Westfield Killer Bees, a U12 girls soccer team, played extremely well in five fast-paced games to finish second in the Morris United Tournament on April 3. In the first match against the Roxbury Extreme the Bees were a little tentative playing a 2-1-2 formation for the 6 v 6 tournament.

The Bees began the first match with solid defense by Emily MacNeil, Amanda Dickson and keeper Annie Onishi to blunt Roxbury's attacks. The Westfield offense used quick drives up the sides by forwards Stephanie Bridgeman and Caroline Cariste to set up shots on goal. As she would throughout the tournament, Gio Palatucci dominated the midfield and anchored the offense by setting up combination pass plays.

After a series of passes, Sarah Hansen put a shot across to the far corner of the goal which the Roxbury goalie deflected, opening the way for forward Onishi to send the rebound in for a 1-0 Westfield lead. Despite strong defensive play by Marykate Maher, Aly Carter and keeper MacNeil, Roxbury tied the game in the last minutes off a corner kick.

The Bees dominated the second game against the Hanover Wildfire with aggressive goal play and skillful passing. Despite an abundance of shots by Bridgeman, Dickson, Maher, Carter, and Hansen, the game remained 0-0 into the last quarter.

One of the tournament highlights occurred late in the game as Hansen

intercepted a Hanover pass, and dribbled the ball up toward the right side of the goal. As the defenders and keeper moved right to cut off a shot, she made a perfect setup pass to Bridgeman on the left who rocketed a shot into the back of the net for a 1-0 Westfield victory.

In the third game, Killer Bees faced the U13 Roxbury Wizard team. Although the Roxbury team was bigger, the Bees were quicker and proved to be firmly in control using triangle, diamond and back passing. Carter continued the Westfield dominance of the midfield and set up the first Westfield goal with a crisp pass to forward Palatucci. Later in the first half Palatucci backpassed to MacNeil who made a long pass to the far side which Cariste converted into a goal for a 2-0 victory.

In the semi-finals the Bees met and demolished the Butler Blast, 5-0. Only 30 seconds into the game, MacNeil lofted a perfect corner kick which deflected off a defender for the first goal. In the next 10 minutes, Bridgeman crossed to Cariste for goal number two, MacNeil sent a pass up to Bridgeman who set up Palatucci for goal number three, MacNeil and Bridgeman combined again to set up Cariste for a rocket shot and goal number four. Later Maher made a long pass across the field to Hansen for the fifth goal.

In the final match Westfield played a talented Mendham Galaxy team. Both teams battled back and forth across the field, but Mendham scored on a rebound in the last minutes to win 1-0.

Hershey Track Meet Registration Open

The Scotch Plains Recreation Commission will again conduct its local Hershey Track Meet on Thursday, May 21, starting at 4:30 p.m. at the Governor Livingston High School Track Field, Berkeley Heights. Registrations must be made in the Scotch Plains Recreation Office, Room 113, Park Avenue from Monday, April 12, to Friday, May 14.

Contestants will compete with those from the Berkeley Heights Recreation Department, but running events times and distances for long jump and softball throw will be recorded for Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents.

First and second place finishers will proceed to competition in the district track meet scheduled for Friday, June 4, also at the Governor Livingston Track Field. John Kurtz, New Jersey Recreation and Parks State Chairman for the Hershey Track and Field Program will announce the time and date for the State Finals.

Participants can compete in two track and one field event, or two field events and one track event, which includes 50, 100, 400 and 800-meter dashes, standing long jump and softball throw.

4x100 relays in each age grouping must have four individuals sign up as a team. Age groups for boys and girls 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14, with birth date as of December 31, 1999.

Westfield Aquaducks Pave Road to Swimming Success

The Westfield "Y" Aquaducks 12-13 Team and the Intermediate Synchronized Swim Team competed in the East Zone Invitational in Fairless Hills, Pennsylvania on March 20 and 21.

In the 11-and-under Due Competition, Virginia Mikalonis and Samantha Coulson placed third, and at the same time Milralona placed seventh in the Figure Competition.

In the 12-13 age group, the Intermediate Team of Rachel Goo, Mikalonis, Jaime Quayle, Ilya Sabnani and Coulson placed first. In the Age Group Competition, the 12-13 Team that consists of Jessica Blumert, Maureen Grant, Sophie Hall, Lily Hershkowitz, Peggy Lee, Christine Clark, Rochelle Ross and Kim Lam came in first.

Hall's solo in the 12-13 Solo Competition placed first and the Due of Grant and Blumert placed third. The Trio that had Clark, Lee and

Hershkowitz placed second. First year seer Gin Vossila placed fourth in her Solo in the 14-19 Intermediate Age Group Division.

The Westfield "Y" Aquaducks are a nationally ranked Synchronized Swim Team. Their next home competition at the Westfield "Y" will be on Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23 when the Aquaducks host the Regional Meet. For more information, please call the "Y" at (908) 233-2700.

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Joy C. Vreeland
Town Clerk

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The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

**Division of Accreditation Operations
Accreditation Service Specialist
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181**

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time and place of the meeting.

This notice is posted in accordance with the Joint Commission's requirements and may not be removed before the survey is completed.

Date Posted: 4/8/99
1 T - 4/8/99, The Leader Fee: \$39.78

PUBLIC NOTICE

SHERIFF'S SALE
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY,
CHANCERY DIVISION, UNION COUNTY,
DOCKET NO. F-13613-98.

BROKERS COMMITMENT CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF vs. WILLIAM J. DAVIS, JR., ET AL, DEFENDANT.
CIVIL ACTION, WRIT OF EXECUTION, DATED JANUARY 20, 1999 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 5TH DAY OF MAY A.D., 1999 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 \$239,388.41.
DOCKET NO. F-13613-98.
MUNICIPALITY: Mountainside.
COUNTY: Union STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

STREET AND STREET NO.: 1381 Stony Brook Lane.
TAX BLOCK AND LOT: BLOCK NO. 15B, LOT: 12.
DIMENSIONS OF LOT: 80.00 feet x 131.62 feet.

NEAREST CROSS STREET: Intersection of Wood Valley Road and Stony Brook Lane.

There is due approximately the sum of \$245,619.78 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. CHAR-
TERED, Attorney
737 Stokes Road
P. O. Box 1088
Medford, New Jersey 08055-9962
CH-754306 (WL)
4 T - 4/8, 4/15,
4/22 & 4/29/99 Fee: \$171.36

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Westfield BOE Receives Favorable Bond Rate

WESTFIELD — Superintendent of Schools Dr. William J. Foley announced that the Westfield school district has received a 4.6 percent net interest rate on a 20-year bond from Paine Webber, which will provide the funds for capital projects approved by voters in a special bond referendum in December.

"We are very pleased with this rate," noted Dr. Foley. "It is less than the 4.75 percent we expected. This difference will translate into approximately \$200,000 in interest savings on our debt service schedule."

Business Administrator Robert Berman opened five sealed bids on March 30 in the presence of bond counsel Andrea Kahn, auditor Bob Morrison and Assistant Business Manager Tamar Sydney-Gens.

The actual \$11.7 million will be received by the Business Office on

Wednesday, April 14. Approximately 50 percent of the bond proceeds are dedicated toward capital improvements such as roofs, lavatories, windows, floors, four classroom renovations at Westfield High School, and an expanded library at Wilson Elementary School.

An estimated 40 percent of the bond proceeds are earmarked for additional elementary classrooms: nine at Franklin, six at McKinley and one at Wilson. The remaining 10 percent will complete a district-wide technology infrastructure which will enable all classrooms to be on line by the year 2000.

"The bond allows us to keep our regular school budget for 1999-2000 at \$.07 per \$100 evaluation for the Westfield homeowner, which is the same rate as last year," stated Dr. Foley.

"Because we can rely on the bond for our major capital expenditures, we can keep more dollars in the classroom and reduce administrative costs per pupil for the fourth consecutive year," he concluded.

The administration also involves all principals at each level in the selection of outstanding teachers for that level.

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maintain they have influenced. Responding to the criticism that the staff did not reflect the diversity of the district's student body, Dr. Sheldon and Mr. Gillet said in a joint statement that they have worked for change.

The candidates said they worked for "real" improvements to past practice, including an updated recruitment approach. This involves outreach to a broader scope of colleges and universities for recent graduates, as well as advertising job openings through a wide range of publications.

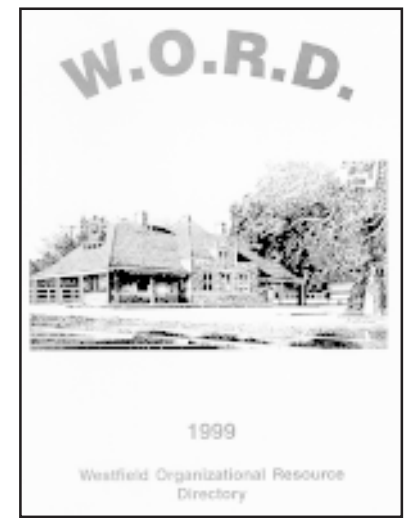
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THE WORD IS OUT...W.O.R.D., the new Westfield Organizational Resource Directory, created under the direction of the United Fund of Westfield, was mailed last month to all Westfield residents. The directory is a compilation of every available resource for townspersons of all ages, including names, descriptions and contact numbers. Copies are available at The Westfield Leader, the Municipal Building, the Chamber of Commerce, the Westfield Memorial Library, The Town Bank of Westfield, the Westfield 'Y', and the United Fund of Westfield office at 301 North Avenue, West. Any questions or comments should be directed to the United Fund at (908) 233-2113.

Pet Adoption Weekend On Tap for April 17-18

NORTH PLAINFIELD — Dozens of dogs and cats will be featured during the "Find A New Best Friend Pet Adoption Weekend" on Saturday, April 17, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 18, from noon to 4 p.m.

Animal rescue groups from across central New Jersey will be matching families with adoptable pets during the two-day event.

Free pet products and services will be offered to all adopters. The adoption weekend will be hosted by Best Friends Pet Resort at 815 Route 22, West, in North Plainfield. For directions or information, please call (908) 822-9200.

Toastmasters to Meet Tonight; Members Sweep Competition

WESTFIELD — Toastmasters of Westfield will meet tonight, Thursday, April 8, at 7:45 p.m. The public speaking group meets at Sunrise Assisted Living of Westfield, 240 Springfield Avenue, on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of the month.

Club members Anne Baker of Westfield and Noel Crawford of Mountainside recently swept an area Toastmasters speaking competition, and will now advance to the next contest level, competing against fel-

low Toastmasters in the metropolitan area.

Meetings last for two hours, with the first portion devoted to impromptu speaking, called Table Topics, and the second reserved for scheduled speeches which are prepared by members in advance.

All of the speaking during meetings is timed and evaluated by experienced members of the club, which is part of an international network of Toastmasters chapters.



GOING THE EXTRA MILE...Sean Dougherty, the owner of Eurosport of Westfield offers a complete line of services to owners of European cars.

Eurosport of Westfield Offers Complete Maintenance Service

WESTFIELD — Sean Dougherty, the owner of Eurosport of Westfield, located at 459 North Avenue, East, in Westfield, has revealed the line of services he provides to owners of European cars.

Eurosport offers complete diagnostic and maintenance service, as well as performance tuning, on all models by BMW, Volvo, Audi, Porsche, Volkswagen, Jaguar and Mercedes.

Mr. Dougherty has invested in top-of-the-line equipment to meet the needs of the European automobile. State of the art diagnostic machines provide thorough and

accurate analysis of automobile problems, and the wheel balancer, tire and air conditioning machines enable performance maintenance and repair to keep these automobiles running safely and smoothly.

"I know the expectations of my customers, and they are no less than those I have for myself," stated Mr. Dougherty, who has more than 14 years experience in European automobile diagnostic and repair. He is factory-trained and was Crew Chief of the 1989-1990 IMSA BMW M3 Racing Series.

For an appointment and information, please call (908) 654-5228.

Arlene Gardner Gives Tips For Educational Excellence

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"We must also develop, continually revise and assess our courses of study so that all students learn the skills and knowledge that they need," she stressed. "While the state has imposed core curriculum standards, these are basic competency levels. The aspirations of the community should be reflected in our local requirements."

"This past year, the Westfield Board of Education implemented benchmarks or goals for what students should know and be able to do at the end of each year for the elementary language arts curriculum. They were developed with the help of administrators, teachers and parents, as a way to ensure equality of education for students and accountability for the educational program," she explained.

"We must carefully evaluate the effects of these benchmarks and, if they seem to be a useful tool, we should take the time to discuss and agree upon clear goals for students in other subject areas and grade levels," the candidate added.

"Motivation is another important ingredient of educational excellence," noted Ms. Gardner. "Because this is such a high achieving district, I think we take student mo-

tivation for granted. While I believe the school district provides challenging courses for our most motivated students and meets the needs of our special education population, I am not sure that we are doing all we should be for the large group of students in the middle."

She continued, "I would like to see us try to move towards a more individualized education for all of our students. Tests should not be just a way to grade students but rather a diagnostic tool for identifying areas where students have weaknesses. Teachers should make an affirmative effort to work with students on their weak areas."

Dr. Sheldon added that "board communication with the staff is a two-way street now. Through the monthly 'Board Bulletins,' the staff is aware of board activities and upcoming issues."

District recruitment practices are another area the two board veterans

Donald Sheldon, Morris Gillet Tell Record of Achievements

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF FANWOOD ORDINANCE NO. 99-06-S

The Bond Ordinance published herewith, Ordinance No. 99-06-S, has been finally adopted on April 5, 1999 by the Borough Council of the Borough of Fanwood and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the publication of this statement.

Eleanor McGovern
Borough Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 99-06-S

BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$533,500 AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF \$506,825 BONDS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE BOROUGH INCLUDING ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING, CURB REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT, SIDEWALK REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT, VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO BOROUGHPROPERTY, SANITARY SEWER AND STORMWATER IMPROVEMENTS, EXPANSION OF MUNICIPAL PARK BUILDING, UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS, AND VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA OF THE BOROUGH

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood, in the County of Union, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

SECTION I.
For the various improvements and purposes described in Section III of this bond ordinance, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriations made for improvements or purposes, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$533,500.00 including the aggregate sum of \$26,675 as the various down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

SECTION II.
In order to finance the cost of the improvements or purposes not covered by application of the down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$506,825 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

SECTION III.
The purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement, the down payment available for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are respectively as follows:

Purpose	Appropriation and Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount Of Bonds Or Notes	Down Payment	Period Of Usefulness
a) Reconstruction of Old South Avenue, Second Street and Coriell Avenue	\$146,000	\$138,700	\$7,300	20 years
b) Downtown Improvements including lighting, pavers, landscaping, and clock	53,000	50,350	2,650	15 years
c) Improvements to Borough Property Including Carriage House and DPW shed	51,000	48,450	2,550	15 years
d) Slurry seal of various streets	50,000	47,500	2,500	5 years
e) Rehabilitation and improvement of various sanitary and storm sewers	30,000	28,500	1,500	40 years
f) Curb and sidewalk repair and replacement	35,000	33,250	1,750	10 years
g) Underground storage tanks	\$18,500	17,575	925	15 years
h) Construction of Expanded Park Building	\$150,000	142,500	7,500	40 years
TOTAL	\$533,500	\$506,825	\$26,675	

SECTION IV.
All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer, provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(a). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver the same to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION V.
The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:
(a) The purposes described in Section III of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are improvements that the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as general improvements, and not part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized herein for each purpose and the reasonable lives thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law is 15 years.
(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. This statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law will not be increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.
(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$95,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 may be included as part of the costs of the purposes of improvements authorized herein and is included in the foregoing estimates thereof.

SECTION VI.
The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

SECTION VII.
The capital budget of the Borough of Fanwood is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

SECTION VIII.
This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ATTEST:
Eleanor McGovern, Borough Clerk
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**The Westfield Leader Newspaper
The Times of Scotch Plains/Fanwood**

Opinion Poll

The War In Yugoslavia

Name: _____

Town: _____

Age and Occupation: _____

1. Are the U.S. & NATO doing right thing by bombing Serbia? Yes No
2. Should U.S. ground troops be sent? Yes No
3. Do you think this will become another Vietnam? Yes No
4. Do you think Russia will get involved? Yes No
5. Do you think China will get involved? Yes No
6. Will this war spread to other areas? Yes No
7. Is the United Nations doing all that is possible? Yes No
8. Did Clinton and Gore think this through? Yes No
9. Do you have a friend or relative in the military? Yes No
10. Do you have a friend or relative in Serbia? Yes No
11. Are you getting the complete story from the media? Yes No
12. Is there the "Right Stuff" on Clinton's team? Yes No

Your other comments: _____

The War In Yugoslavia

On Saturday, April 2, *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times of Scotch Plains and Fanwood* composed the questionnaire above. Between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., 42 people walking in downtown Westfield on Quimby and Elm Streets were asked to answer the questions.

Twelve people politely refused to respond saying that they were not informed, that they do not give their opinions or that they are too busy. Thirty people answered the questionnaire. There was no attempt to establish a scientific method or to steer the outcome in composing the questions or in determining the number of people to ask. This newspaper sought to obtain a balance of genders and age groups. That was achieved.

Of those that responded, ages were evenly distributed from 18 to 70. Fifteen were male and 15 were female. As to where they lived: 16 were from Westfield, four were from Cranford, three from Scotch Plains, with one each from Chatham, New York City, Roselle, Somerset, Woodbridge, Garwood and Worcester, Massachusetts.

Two verbal opinions were received. One was, "They've been fighting this way over there for centuries and we're only making it worse." The other was, "This is the first real moral issue we've faced in 30 years. We must stand up." Many others said that they needed to be better informed to best respond to the questionnaire. The results to the questions are as follows:

1. Are U.S. & NATO are doing right thing by bombing Serbia?
Yes 20 67%
No 10 33%
??? 0 0%
2. Should U.S. ground troops be sent?
Yes 13 43%
No 16 53%
??? 1 3%

3. Do you think this will become another Vietnam?
Yes 7 23%
No 21 70%
??? 2 7%

4. Do you think Russia will get involved?
Yes 12 40%
No 17 57%
??? 1 3%

5. Do you think China will get involved?
Yes 7 23%
No 22 73%
??? 1 3%

6. Will this war spread to other areas?
Yes 13 43%
No 15 50%
??? 2 7%

7. Is the United Nations doing all that is possible?
Yes 11 37%
No 18 60%
??? 1 3%

8. Did Clinton and Gore think this through?
Yes 16 53%
No 13 43%
??? 1 3%

9. Do you have a friend or relative in the military?
Yes 10 33%
No 20 67%
??? 0 0%

10. Do you have a friend or relative in Serbia?
Yes 0 0%
No 30 100%
??? 0 0%

11. Are you getting the complete story from the media?
Yes 10 33%
No 18 60%
??? 2 7%

12. Is there the "Right Stuff" on Clinton's team?
Yes 12 40%
No 16 53%
??? 2 7%

If you would like to express an opinion on the war in Yugoslavia, please send a letter or answer the questionnaire. Please use email if you can to press@goleader.com

Open House Is Scheduled For April 14 at UCVTS

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Union County Vocational-Technical Schools' (UCVTS) annual Open House will take place on Wednesday, April 14, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 1776 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains.

All sections will be available so visitors can get a firsthand look through guided tours at the occupational and skills training available at UCVTS.

Demonstrations will be held of the latest technology in each of the instructional areas, among them the Auto Technology and Machine Technology programs.

Other highlights will include Bake Shop samplings; shopping at special prices in the UCVTS Tech World Supermarket; desktop publishing in Graphic Communications; blood-pressure screening in Allied Health, and basic manicures in Cosmetology.

House plants will be on sale in the Horticulture Program, and the Culinary Arts students will offer samples of gourmet specialties.

All visitors will receive free raffle tickets. Included among the prizes will be an Adirondack chair, a barbecue cart and baskets of groceries, as well as cosmetology and beauty products, a flat of bedding plants, and gift certificates to area restaurants.

The public is invited to attend the Open House. Instructors and trades people will be on hand to answer questions. Refreshments will be served, and ample parking will be available.

For additional information, please call the UCVTS Day Admissions Office at (908) 889-2999, or visit the schools' web site on the Internet at www.ucvts.tec.nj.us.

Historical Society to Hear Talk About Boxwood Hall

CRANFORD — Kathy Craig, site manager of Boxwood Hall in Elizabeth, will discuss the historic building's past during the Sunday, April 11 meeting of the Union County Historical Society at 2:30 p.m.

Entitled "But He Slept Here," the program will be held at the Dr. Carl Hanson House, located at 38 Springfield Avenue in Cranford.

Boxwood Hall, or Boudinot Mansion, was built about 1750 by a mayor of Elizabethtown. It was purchased in 1772 by Elias Boudinot, President of the Continental Congress when the Treaty of Paris was signed, who entertained President-elect George Washington there while the latter was traveling from Mount Vernon to New York City for his inauguration.



SORTING THE DONATIONS...Beth McIntyre begins sorting the thousands of books donated for the five-day annual book sale to be held at the Westfield Memorial Library. More than 100 volunteers will assist with the days-long process of setting up for the event. The sale will begin on Tuesday, April 13, and end on Saturday, April 17.

Westfield Library to Present Five-Day Annual Book Sale

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Memorial Library is gearing up for its five-day book sale next week, during which area residents will have an opportunity to purchase donated books at bargain prices.

The event, which helps the library purchase needed equipment, will be held in the Program Room of the library, located at 550 East Broad Street in Westfield.

Among the offerings will be cookbooks, fiction and non-fiction books, paperbacks, children's books, rare books, and encyclopedias in good condition.

The sale will kick off with a Friends of the Library members' preview on Tuesday, April 13, from 9 a.m. to noon. Memberships may be purchased at the door.

It will be open to the general public from noon to 5 p.m. that day, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the following two days. Half-Price Day will be held on Friday, April 16, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., with Bag Day on Saturday, April 17, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Donations will be accepted at the Program Room tomorrow, Friday, April 9, from noon to 5 p.m.; Saturday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Monday, April 12, from 9 a.m. to noon. The library will not accept texts, condensed books, records, damaged books, or old encyclopedia sets as donations.

Anne Arkel is serving as Chairwoman of the event, with Carol

Dreizler, Edie Dixon and Edward Orlando as advisers. Other committee members are Eleanor Senus, Jane Curtis, Nancy Yoder, Colleen Bodayla, Mary Orlando, Tina Leshner, and Marguerite Siegal.

Business Women Set Dinner Meeting Date

WESTFIELD — The Berkeley Heights/Clark/Westfield Business and Professional Women (BCW/BPW) monthly dinner meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 20, at The Kenilworth Inn in Kenilworth.

Networking will begin at 6:30 p.m., followed by the dinner and program at 7 p.m. Non-members are invited to attend.

This month's meeting will feature Marie Anfari, a consultant with Creative Memories, who will speak on imaginative and informative ways to preserve and create photograph albums and scrapbooks.

BCW/BPW is part of BPW/NJ and BPW/USA. Membership in the organization offers professional growth, individual development, personal empowerment and legislative awareness.

Advance registration for the dinner meeting is recommended. The cost of dinner is \$20 per person.

The reservation deadline is Wednesday, April 14. For reservations and information, please call Janine at (908) 687-5239.

Nathan Hollis Receives Male Role Model Award

WESTFIELD — Nathan Hollis, a teacher at Westfield High School, has been selected to receive its 1999 Male Role Model Award from the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Club of Union County.

This award, which is presented by the club each year, honors an individual for outstanding character building and contribution in human relations. Mr. Hollis will receive his award during the club's 27th Annual Founders' Day Luncheon, which will be held on Saturday, April 17, at L'Affaire Restaurant.

Mr. Hollis is a member of the Special Services Department at Westfield High School where he has taught Special Education since 1989. In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Mr. Hollis also serves as

advisor to the Awareness Club, Diversity 2000 Club and the catch Pro-



Nathan Hollis

gram. In 1995, he was named Outstanding Teacher of the Year by the PTO.

"Nathan Hollis is an outstanding role model in our school community who is a most deserving recipient of this award," said WHS Principal Robert Petix. "Mr. Hollis' work with students, particularly in the area of human relations," added Dr. Petix, "has contributed significantly to our high school."

Joan Melloan to Present 'Great Gardens of Europe'

WESTFIELD — The next general meeting of the Woman's Club of Westfield will be held on Monday, April 12, at 1:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church on Elmer Street in Westfield.

Joan Melloan, President of the Garden Club of Westfield, will present a slide-lecture program entitled "Great Gardens of Europe". Mrs. Melloan has been a resident

of Westfield since 1962, except for nine years she spent living in England and Belgium. She has photo-



Joan Melloan

graphed all of the gardens which she will describe.

A journalist, Mrs. Melloan has had her garden and travel articles featured in *The New York Times*, *Travel and Leisure* and other publications.

While a resident of Brussels, Belgium, Mrs. Melloan was a garden writer for a Belgian weekly, English-language magazine, *The Bulletin*. With her husband, George Melloan, she co-authored the book "The Carter Economy".

Mrs. Melloan received the Gaston Award for chairing the Westfield Memorial Library fund raising drive, and is a former trustee of both the Westfield Foundation and the Westfield Memorial Library.

Guests are invited to attend the lecture. For more information, please call (908) 233-4338.

Fanwood Library Holds Special Children's Events

FANWOOD — The Children's Department of the Fanwood Memorial Library is holding a series of special events this month.

Fanwood residents will be given priority in all programs requiring registration.

For children ages 5 to 14, a Kids Card contest will be held. In mid-September, the library will issue newly designed, bar-coded library cards. Youngsters are invited to create a Kids Card.

Entry forms are available at both the Adult and Children's circulation desks through Saturday, April 10. The deadline for all entries is Saturday, April 17. A panel of judges will select and announce the winner by mid-May.

From Sunday, April 11, through April 17, the library will celebrate

National Library Week. A different activity will be presented each day, including a poetry reading, making a book mark, or storytelling. Please call (908) 322-4377 or visit the library for a schedule of programs.

On Thursday, April 22, at 3:30 p.m., the library will celebrate Earth Day with a story time and guided nature walk at the Fanwood Nature Center on Cray Terrace.

Dean Talcott, Chairman of the Fanwood Environmental Commission and the Nature Center's groundskeeper, will present the program.

Pre-registration is required for this event. Interested individuals may sign up in the Children's Department. Children must be at least four years old. The rain date will be Friday, April 23, at 3:30 p.m.

Garden Club to Present Meeting and Program

WESTFIELD — The Garden Club of Westfield will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 13, at 1 p.m. at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

Samantha Kasich of The Scarlet Begonia of Westfield will be the guest speaker. She will create arrangements using natural containers.

Ms. Kasich has been involved with the floral business for over 12 years. She opened her shop on South Avenue four and a half years ago, and

specializes in fresh floral designs for weddings, parties and other occasions. She also creates silk and dried floral arrangements.

Hostess Chairwoman for the April meeting is Mary Herberich, assisted by Daniel Belcher, Mary Louise Clarke, Norma Degnen, Mary Evelyn Miner and Pat Webber.

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Post members also have an opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie of their fellow veterans, according to First Vice Commander and Membership Chairman George Hauck.

For more information, please call Mr. Hauck at (908) 273-5369.

Pain Management Is April 21 Topic For Lunch & Learn

WESTFIELD - The Westfield "Y" will host the second in its spring series of Lunch & Learns for the Sixty and Better Set on Wednesday, April 21, at 12:30 p.m.

The topic will be "Exercise and Movement for Pain Management," presented by Doreen Stiskal, Assistant Director of Graduate Programs in Health Sciences at the Seton Hall University School of Graduate Medical Education.

This lecture is free and open to the public. Attendees are asked to bring a bag lunch and dessert to share with about four people. The "Y" will supply the beverages.

For further information, please call Karen F. Simon at (908) 233-2700, or stop by the "Y" at 220 Clark Street in Westfield to reserve a spot.

Education Fund to Underwrite High School Tech Project

WESTFIELD - The Grants Committee of the Education Fund of Westfield has approved a two-year "Signature Project," involving allocation of funds for specialized computer equipment in the Westfield High School Mac Lab.

Funds will provide five Power Mac G3 computers, as well as color laser printers with large format capacity and professional graphic tablets.

The appropriate software will handle digital photography, drawing, 3-D rendering, animation, video editing, web page design and desk top publishing.

All students will have access to the equipment due to its location in the existing high school Mac Lab, according to Education Fund Grants Chairman Stuart Williams.

Mr. Williams is one of 14 Trustees serving three-year terms on the Westfield Education Fund, which was reorganized this year. Other members include Mary Brautigam, Mark Ciarrocca, Lucille Davy, Carolyn Fleder, Brian Foley, Steve Heller, Ed Hobbie, Tom Hornish, Gary Kehler, Tom Morabito, Joanne Santoriello, Glenn Tucker, and Danielle Walsh.

As a result of last year's successful Passport to Education dinner/dance fundraiser, \$15,000 was raised for technology initiatives in the Westfield Public Schools.

A two-year fundraising effort will combine contributions from last year's event with those from the Friday, May 7, Passport to Education dinner/dance, which will be co-sponsored for the second year with COMCAST@Home.

The Education Fund of Westfield, which recently celebrated its seventh anniversary, is a philanthropic, community-based organization comprised of Westfield residents.

The non-profit group was formed to provide an on-going, centralized source of additional funds and resources to

assist the public schools in maintaining and enhancing the quality of education.

By working independently of, but cooperatively with, the Board of Education, the Fund has been able to raise money for programs which otherwise might not be funded through the regular school budget, according to Mrs. Walsh, who is President of the school board.

In the last few years, individual school grants and teacher mini-grants have also been awarded.

For more information about the Education Fund, please contact the Fund at P.O. Box 2221, Westfield, 07090, or call (908) 789-4420.



'SIGNATURE PROJECT'...At a recent meeting of the Education Fund of Westfield, the Trustees announced the funding of a two-year technology project for Westfield High School. Pictured, left to right, are: standing, Tom Morabito, Vice President; Mary Brautigam, Steve Heller, Treasurer; Danielle Walsh, Secretary; Mark Ciarrocca and Brian Foley, and seated, Glenn Tucker, Carolyn Fleder and Joanne Santoriello. Other Trustees serving on the Education Fund include Gary Kehler, President; Lucille Davy, Ed Hobbie, Tom Hornish and Stuart Williams.

Auxiliary Announces Spring Rummage Sale

WESTFIELD - The Martin Wall-berg American Legion Auxiliary of Westfield will hold its Spring Rummage Sale on Saturday, April 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the American Legion Post home, 1003 North Avenue in Westfield.

Clothing and household items will be available. All proceeds will go towards the President's Project, which raises funds to send veterans from Lyons Veterans Hospital to visit the Vietnam Memorial, an activity doctors feel would be psychologically beneficial.

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1999 MUNICIPAL BUDGET TOWN OF WESTFIELD, COUNTY OF UNION FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

Revenue and Appropriation Summaries

SUMMARY OF REVENUES		ANTICIPATED	
	1999	1998	
1. Surplus	\$2,125,000.00	\$2,360,000.00	
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	\$8,866,675.07	\$8,597,172.02	
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	\$700,000.00	\$650,000.00	
4. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	\$11,929,678.17	\$11,318,088.98	
Total General Revenues	\$23,621,353.24	\$22,925,261.00	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS		FINAL	
	1999 BUDGET	1998 BUDGET	
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	\$11,642,038.24	\$11,208,895.00	
Other Expenses	\$7,512,147.00	\$7,571,826.00	
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	\$1,834,100.00	\$1,502,272.00	
3. Capital Improvements	\$75,000.00	\$50,000.00	
4. Debt Service	\$708,068.00	\$742,268.00	
5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	\$1,850,000.00	\$1,850,000.00	
Total General Appropriations	\$23,621,353.24	\$22,925,261.00	
Total Number of Employees	286	286	

1999 DEDICATED SWIM POOL UTILITY BUDGET		ANTICIPATED	
	1999	1998	
1. Surplus	\$56,650.00	\$87,500.00	
2. Swim Pool Memberships and Miscellaneous Revenues	\$508,850.00	\$485,500.00	
Total Revenues	\$565,500.00	\$573,000.00	

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS		FINAL	
	1999 BUDGET	1998 BUDGET	
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	\$243,342.00	\$237,785.00	
Other Expenses	\$258,925.00	\$272,150.00	
2. Capital Improvements	\$2,308.00	\$2,115.00	
3. Debt Service	\$60,925.00	\$60,950.00	
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	\$565,500.00	\$573,000.00	
Total Appropriations	\$565,500.00	\$573,000.00	
Total Number of Employees	36	36	

BALANCE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT		
	GENERAL	SWIM POOL UTILITY
Interest	\$34,568.00	\$4,484.00
Principal	\$596,000.00	\$60,000.00
Outstanding Balance	\$630,568.00	\$64,484.00

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Town Council of the Town of Westfield, County of Union on March 23, 1999.

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Municipal Building on April 20, 1999 at 8:00 o'clock (PM) at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 1999 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Copies of the budget are available in the office of Joy C. Vreeland, Town Clerk, at the Municipal Building, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey, 07090, (908) 232-8000, during the hours of 8:30 (A.M.) to 4:30 (P.M.).

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SPRING IS HERE...With the arrival of spring, sheep get ready for a shearing. A sheep shearing demonstration is one of the April programs planned by the Miller-Cory House Museum.

Miller-Cory Museum Sets Spring Schedule

WESTFIELD—Spring has arrived at Miller-Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield. The Museum will be open Sundays from 2-5 p.m.

Visitors will experience daily life on our Early-American farm as costumed docents demonstrate crafts and chores appropriate to the season of the year. The last tour will begin at 4 p.m.

Each of the following Sundays in April will have a special feature of interest:

April 11—Candle Dipping. Candle making as it was done in Early America will be demonstrated.

April 18—Annual Sheep-to-Shawl Festival. Watch a master shearer using hand shears just as it was done in the 18th and 19th centuries, along with volunteers demonstrating the entire process of producing woolen cloth from woolen fibers. Crafts and homemade baked goods will be available for visitors to enjoy.

April 25—Tribute to George Washington. Come see a skit about George as a young boy; see experienced 18th

century cooks prepare some of his favorite meals.

Visitors will be able to enjoy open-hearth cooking demonstrations/using authentic Early-American cooking techniques and recipes. Taste treats will be prepared by cooks.

Admission to the Museum is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students. Children under 6 are free.

Please call the Museum office at (908) 232-1776 for information about the volunteer program and the spring schedule of events.

Mothers' Center Schedules Spring Consignment Sale

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey, based in Scotch Plains, will hold its semi-annual consignment sale on Wednesday and Thursday, April 14 and 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. both days at the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in Plainfield.

The sale will feature gently-used children's spring and summer clothing in sizes from newborn to 14. Other merchandise will include toys,

maternity clothes, and baby equipment.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit the activities of the Mothers' Center, a nonprofit, non-sectarian organization founded in 1978 by mothers to help mothers.

The center offers day and evening discussion groups, evening workshops, guest speakers, social activities, library resources, and playgroups.

On-site child care is available for participants in most of the group's daytime activities. New members are always welcome. For more information, please call (908) 561-1751, or visit the Mothers' Center Internet web site at <http://westfieldnj.com/mccnj>.

'Healthy Kids' Night Slated at Westfield 'Y'

WESTFIELD—The Westfield "Y," 220 Clark Street in Westfield, will sponsor "Healthy Kids Night" on Sunday, April 11, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Children of all ages are invited to come to the "Y" to swim in the warm water Rooke Pool, play parachute games and other events in the gymnasium, and sample healthy snacks. Local teenage members of the Leaders' Club will be available for face painting and other activities.

"The YMCA believes healthy kids and families are cause for celebration, and we invite everyone to spend time with their family here at the "Y" on April 11. It's a great way to laugh, play and connect, and admission is free," said Bona Wieland, Public Relations Coordinator for the "Y".

For more information, please call the "Y" at (908) 233-2700.



AWAITING A HOME...People for Animals, a nonprofit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a cat and kitten only pet adoption event on Saturday, April 10, and a cat and dog pet adoption event on Sunday, April 11, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the PETSMART store, 1022 Route 22, East, at West End Avenue in North Plainfield. Among the available pets will be Georgia, a friendly 10-month-old female mixed breed. She is spayed and current with her vaccinations. Georgia is a large, lovable dog who was abandoned and needs a new home. To adopt a pet, or for information, please call (908) 688-1073, or visit www.petfinder.org/shelters/NJ17.html. For low cost spay/neuter information, please call the People for Animals Clinic at (908) 964-6887.

Watchung Nature Club Announces Next Meeting

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Greater Watchung Nature Club will meet on Tuesday, April 13, at 8 p.m. in the basement meeting room of the Scotch Plains Public Library, 1927 Bartle Avenue. The public is invited to attend.

"Why the New Jersey Beaches are Moving" will be presented by Susan

Halsey, a coastal geologist who has been associated with the Americal Littoral Society.

On Sunday, April 18, the club will sponsor a trip to Scherman-Hoffman Sanctuary and Stahl Nature Area in Bedminster to search for early spring migrants. The group will meet at the Fanwood Train Station (south side) at 7:30 p.m. for carpooling and directions.

On Sunday, April 25, the club will have the first of four spring walks in various local parks. This walk will be in Echo Lake Park and the adjacent area. It will begin at 7 a.m. from the middle parking lot (the Birches, on a rise in the road), and end at 9 a.m. when coffee and doughnuts will be served.

These walks are considered ideal for beginners, and children and families are invited, according to club spokeswoman Mary Hand.

Carol Higgins Clark Featured Speaker For Overlook Auxiliary

SUMMIT—Mystery writer and actress Carol Higgins Clark will be the featured speaker at the Overlook Hospital Auxiliary Spring Luncheon/Annual Meeting on Thursday, April 22, at The Chanticleer in Short Hills.

Unlike her mother, bestselling woman suspense writer Mary Higgins Clark, Carol's books are of a lighter nature. Her heroine, Regan Reilly, is a private investigator with a sense of humor whose vacation spots become crime scenes.

Ms. Clark's four bestselling mysteries are "Decked," "Snagged," "Iced," and "Twanged." Her next suspense novel "Fleeced" will be published in May. Books will be available for purchase and signing at the event.

Tickets are \$35, and guests are welcome. Reservations may be made by calling Auxiliary Business Manager Nancy Kuhn at (908) 522-2004. Seating is limited, and reservations must be paid for no later than April 16.

Ten boutiques will feature Mother's Day ideas and distinctive giftware including cotton sweaters, leather goods, handpainted children's clothing, handbags, jewelry and glassware. Among the vendors are Catch All, Crimson-n-Clover, Spring Serenade, Personally Sue, Annette's Country Cupboard and Calling All Cards.

Boutiques open at 10 a.m., followed by luncheon promptly at noon.

The Auxiliary will hold a 50-50 raffle at the meeting. Items, donated by the vendors, will be raffled during the afternoon.

The 1,100-member Auxiliary is an organization of individuals who through fundraising and in-house volunteerism serve Overlook Hospital. Auxiliary members will elect their 1999-2000 Board of Trustees during a brief business meeting at the end of the program.

The Auxiliary's next fundraiser will be held on Thursday, May 20—the "Cooks' Tour of Kitchens"—which includes eight state-of-the-art local kitchens. Please call the Auxiliary office at (908) 522-2004 for information and tickets.



NOTABLE HOME...This magnificent Gothic Tudor, owned by Joseph DeAlessandro, a founder of the Town Bank of Westfield, is one of the homes which will be showcased on this year's Tour of Notable Homes sponsored by the Friends of the Westfield Symphony Orchestra. The tour will be held on Saturday, May 1.

Westfield Symphony Friends Plan 'Tour of Notable Homes'

WESTFIELD—The Friends of the Westfield Symphony Orchestra will host their 15th annual "Tour of Notable Homes" on Saturday, May 1.

Five homes will be showcased this year, among them an updated Arts and Crafts Classic Revival-style home and a 118-year-old Gothic Tudor, whose owner will also display his arts and antiques collection. The homes will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For the first time, the tour will also feature a house decorated using "Feng Shui," the ancient Chinese art of placement. Participants will learn how furniture arrangement and colors can be used to maximize energy flow and create a harmonious environment.

For those interested in an in-depth presentation on Feng Shui, there will be two 45-minute seminars, offered at 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., for an additional fee of \$12.

Nancy SantoPietro, an internationally known author and expert on Feng Shui, will lead a private tour and discussion on the subject in the home of Feng Shui consultant Jeneane Willyard, who is opening her home for the tour.

Ticketholders interested in attending Ms. SantoPietro's seminar may reserve space by returning the response card attached to the tour ticket.

Festivities will also include free refreshments courtesy of Trader Joe's of Westfield, a plant sale, and live musical performances by Westfield musicians Paul and Janet Somers.

The traditional raffle will be enhanced by a variety of merchandise, certificates and services, including gift baskets appropriate for gift-giving, according to Renee Trabert, Co-Chairwoman of this year's event.

The Tour of Notable Homes is the Friends' largest annual fundraiser, and all proceeds from the tickets, plant sale, seminar and raffle directly support the orchestra and its educational outreach programs, including its music enrichment workshops.

Tickets for the tour are \$20 if purchased in advance, and \$25 the day of the tour. They may be purchased at various outlets in Westfield, Mountainside, Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Summit.

The outlets include Baron's Drug Store, Burgdorff Realtors, Coldwell Banker Realtors, Lancaster Hallmark, Ltd., Music Staff, the Town Bank of Westfield and Weichert, Realtors, all of Westfield; Patterson's Interiors in Mountainside; Irma's Hallmark in Fanwood; Richard Roberts Ltd. in Scotch Plains, and Frog Hollow Gallery in Summit.

David A. Bertelo Ends Heavy Vehicle Course

SCOTCH PLAINS—Marine Private First Class David A. Bertelo, the son of Christopher A. Bertelo of Scotch Plains, recently completed the Heavy Vehicle Operators Course.

During the course with Marine Corps Detachment, U.S. Army Engineer School in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, students receive classroom and behind-the-wheel instruction on the operation and capabilities of five-ton trucks. Defensive driving techniques, rules of the road and preventive maintenance are also included in the course.

Private Bertelo graduated from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1998. He joined the Marine Corps in July 1998.

Union Catholic Schedules Spring Clothing Drive

SCOTCH PLAINS—Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains will hold a used clothing drive for the spring beginning Monday, April 12, and ending on Friday, May 14.

All types of clothing in clean, usable condition will be accepted. In addition, shoes, belts and handbags, as well as bedspreads, curtains, towels and sheets, may be donated.

The clothing should be bagged in large garbage bags and may be dropped off in the gymnasium lobby before or after school. The clothing, accessory and household items will be sold by the pound to an organization that will send the clothing to Poland for families in need. Proceeds will benefit Union Catholic student programs.

Union Catholic is located at 1600 Martine Avenue. For more information, please call (908) 889-9475.

Council of Jewish Women To Host Guest Speaker

The Union County Section of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW) will present a program on Sunday, April 11, at 2 p.m. at the home of Ruth Harris in Elizabeth, featuring Sue Plastrik, 1997 NCJW National Vice President.

Mrs. Plastrik will recall her 1988 South African fact-finding mission. She is an activist and advocate involved in

social issues on the local and national scene, and was involved in the fight against apartheid.

A registered nurse with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Behavioral Science, she resides in Manhasset Hills, New York.

For further information, please call Zara Cohan at (908) 353-8096.

Established in 1893, the NCJW is America's oldest major Jewish women's volunteer organization. The organization's community service and advocacy efforts focus on child care, education, reproductive and constitutional rights.



Sue Plastrik



COMMEMORATIVE PIECE...Marilynne Ford of Scotch Plains stands next to the Will Barnet graphic which had been commissioned for the Westfield Chapter of Hadassah's 20th anniversary art show. The chapter will hold its 41st Annual Fine Art and Crafts Show this weekend at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield. Opening night will take place on Saturday, April 10, from 7 to 9:30 p.m., with a \$45 admission fee. The event will be open to the general public from noon to 9 p.m. on Sunday, April 11. General admission is \$3, \$1.50 for senior citizens, and free for students.

Westfield Hadassah Slates Fine Art and Crafts Show

WESTFIELD—The Westfield Chapter of Hadassah will hold its 41st Annual Fine Art and Crafts Show on Saturday, April 10, at Temple Emanu-El, 756 East Broad Street in Westfield.

Preparations for the show began last summer, when artist Larry Horowitz was commissioned to create an original work of art for significant financial supporters of the show. Mr. Horowitz's art will be prominently displayed in a special exhibit. Galleries and artists participating in the show were selected by the Hadassah chapter's Gallery and Individual Artist committees. Featured will be fine art in oils, watercolors, graphics, charcoals, sculpture, fine crafts and jewelry.

The show's theme, a garden motif celebrating artists of the Garden State, was suggested by Individual Artist Committee Chairwoman Lillie Bryen of Westfield.

Professional decorator Carol Webster of Westfield, assisted by a large group of women, has been in charge of designing the room for the event, in accordance with the theme "Welcome to the Garden."

On opening night, the children of Hadassah members will help out by serving hors d'oeuvres and checking coats. The hours are 7 to 9:30 p.m. For a contribution of \$45, individuals will have an opportunity to meet the artists and gallery owners, and have the first opportunity to view and purchase works.

The sales desk will be run by Scotch Plains Mayor Geri Samuel, Ellen Winetsky of Linden and Carole Thau of Berkeley Heights.

Raffle tickets may be purchased at the door under the direction of Charlotte Shak of Scotch Plains and Judy Cantor of Westfield.

Prizes this year include a gold and onyx ring donated by Michael Kohn Jewelers of Westfield, platinum earrings with pearls and diamonds donated by Laurence Ford, a gift certificate for Parker Greenhouses of Scotch Plains, and lunch for two at Paprika Grille in Westfield.

The show and sale will be open to the public from noon to 9 p.m. on Sunday, April 11. General admission is \$3; senior citizens will be admitted for \$1.50, and students may attend for free.

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