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Offensive burst

Nehemiah Burney-Porter of Scotch Plains tore down the field to get the Raiders in good scoring position against Irvington Saturday. The Raiders entered the contest undefeated and squared off against an Irvington squad that was averaging more than 200 yards of offense a game. For more on the battle of unbeaten, see Sports, Page C-1.



To be Kidd for a day

New Jersey Nets star Jason Kidd dazzled kids in Westfield when he accompanied Angelique Allen to Tamaques School last week. To find out more about Angelique's special day, turn to Community Life, Page B-1.



United Way hosts mini-golf tourney

The Westfield United Way and a local high school student have come up with a novel way to raise funds for Hurricane Katrina victims — a miniature golf tournament. The event is planned Oct. 15 at Hyatt Hills in Clark. For details, turn to Page A-6.

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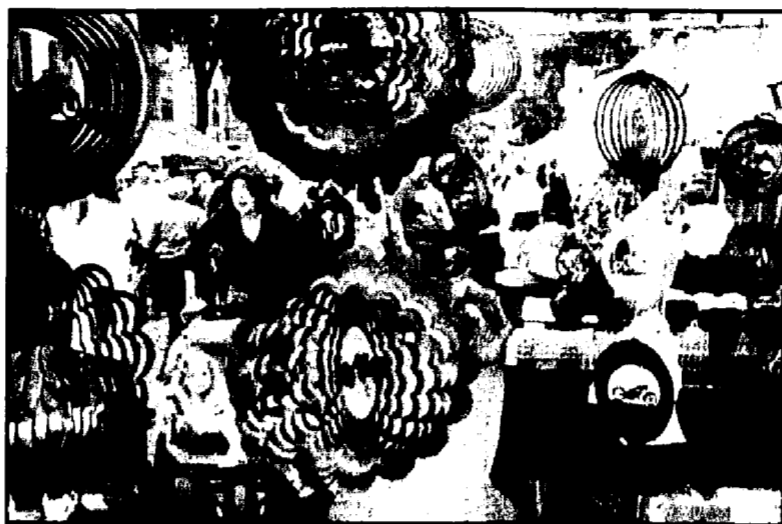
Ribbon-cutting at Kehler Stadium

The public is invited to a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new track and synthetic turf field at Kehler Stadium in Westfield. The ceremony will be held at noon Saturday; parking will be available across Rahway Avenue at Edison School. Donors to the project will be honored. In the event of rain, the ceremony will be moved to the gym at Edison.

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Welcoming fall in Westfield



Westfield welcomed the changing of the seasons in style Sunday, as the Chamber of Commerce hosted the annual Festival program in the downtown. On hand for the celebration were Ian Gurland of Westfield, shown peeking out from behind a seasonal display, as well as students from Sargents' Elite Gymnastics and some especially blond youngsters, who danced to the music of local band Pick an Exit. The day featured an improv comedy show, more than 250 vendors and a wide variety of games and activities for kids; it also served as a culmination of many local fundraising efforts on behalf of Hurricane Katrina victims. Residents hungry for more fall festival fun won't have to look far this weekend; see articles on Pages A-6 and B-1.



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BOE hears class size complaints

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

SCOTCH PLAINS — Board of Education members discussed the growing size of elementary school classrooms at their Sept. 22 meeting, noting there is one second-grade classroom with 25 students at Brunner School.

The high populations in some classrooms have caused some parents to complain, saying larger classrooms create a more difficult learning environment. At the meeting, Scotch Plains Resident Margaret Ames issued "a plea for low class sizes."

School officials pointed out that a range of class sizes up to 25 does not represent a departure from previous policy, though smaller classes are preferred. Board member Betty Anne Woerner, for one, said she thought the ideal number for students in elementary levels was 18.

"We have always said the range in elementary schools goes

to 25," said Superintendent Carol Choye, who added that "personally and professionally I'd love to see 18."

Of the 21 second-grade classes in the district, one has 25 students, one has 24, one has 23, five have 22, five have 21, three have 20, three have 19, one has 18 and one has 17, according to Choye. Some first-grade classes have also grown closer to 25; six of the 20 first-grade classrooms are at 24, though there are no other classrooms with 25 students in the elementary or middle schools, said Choye.

The surge in some class sizes is the result of a higher-than-expected enrollment increase. The district has 180 new students this year, 110 of who are in elementary schools.

"One hundred eighty is maybe twice what we thought we'd have," said Choye, who noted that the population of students in the district "grows from the first day of school to close to the end of the

school year."

Choye said there are currently two options to address the issue. The first is to bring in a teacher's aide to classrooms where the size is close to or at 25. The other option, she said, is to ask parents if they would be willing to send their child to a neighboring school.

In the one classroom that has 25 students at Brunner School, the mother of the 25th child was asked if she would be interested in moving her son to another school, but declined. Choye said on Tuesday that an aide was either already present in that classroom or would be there shortly.

To find out exactly where the new students are coming from and estimate the size of next year's classrooms, Choye said, she and board secretary Anthony Del Sordi will perform a study this year. Choye said many of the

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Returning from Mississippi with tales of kindness

Temple Emanu-El volunteers deliver supplies to Gulf Coast

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — When the 14-foot U-Haul truck carrying more than 3,000 pounds of donations for Hurricane Katrina victims broke down near Exit 44 off Interstate 81 in Jeraldston, Tenn., its two volunteer drivers, Josh Cantor and Steve Goldman, did not panic.

Before long, in fact, they would see the break-down as fate. Thanks to the temporary setback, the two were able to bring more relief to residents of the devastated Gulf Coast region.

Cantor and Goldman, both members of Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, had volunteered to

mission blew and the two were left waiting about seven hours for U-Haul to arrive with a replacement truck.

While they waited, Cantor noticed something amazing. "Every car that passed asked if we needed help," he said. One passerby, who did not know the two were Jewish, asked Cantor and Goldman if they would like to come to a Bible meeting he was about to attend. "We're two Jewish boys, but we still went," he said, laughing. Cantor said the kindness they encountered in Tennessee was overwhelming, with some locals even offering to give them food and a place to stay, despite the fact they seemed poor. "Those people did not have much."

"I left with a very good feeling about America."

— Josh Cantor

Eventually, U-Haul employees arrived with a new, much larger replacement truck.

Suddenly, the 3,000 pounds of donations that once seemed so substantial now looked meager. Moving more than a ton of donations between the vehicles was no easy task, but again, human kindness appeared to alleviate hardship. When the U-Haul employees arrived and saw the truck was carrying donations for Hurricane Katrina, Cantor said, they immediately went to work, transferring all the donations to the new vehicle.

After showering and sleeping for three hours in rooms donated by the Sheridan in Chattanooga, Cantor and Goldman got back on the road, hoping to reach their destination with no further obstacles. Not far outside of Utica, Cantor's cell phone rang. It was Susan Alexander, director of the Jacob's Ladder project, who had also volunteered her time to

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Wf. students say: 'Save our soda!'

By GREG MARX
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — A sustained campaign from parents and nutritionists has changed the food and beverage offerings in public schools, replacing some old stand-bys with healthier fare. But some local students say the changes have gone too far, and they're pushing back.

Three Westfield High School students — seniors Jeff Bergo and Edward Schwahl and junior Tom Pareso — implored the Board of Education to return soda to the school's menu at the board's Tuesday meeting.

The students acknowledged that the removal of most soda from the school is consistent with legislation pending in the state Senate that would prohibit the sale on school property of "any soft drink other than non-calorie soft drinks," "any juice product less than 100% juice" and "any beverage that contains added sugar." The campaign against soda in the Legislature was prompted by growing evidence of a childhood obesity epidemic.

But, said Schwahl, who addressed the board on behalf of the group, sugar-free soft drinks such as Coca-Cola Zero, Tab, Diet Pepsi and others meet those guidelines and still could be offered. He also argued that the anti-caffeine sentiment that may have contributed to the removal of soda is overblown. "Lack of caffeine contributes to lethargy in the classroom," he told the board.

"There are many adequate, desired replacement beverages

which fall completely within the confines of the new law and are in keeping with both the objectives of the school board program and the desires of the thirsty student body," said Schwahl.

The trio said student aggravation at the removal of soda is widespread — Schwahl introduced himself as a "member of the growing student-fueled organization, 'Save Our Soda.'" And Pareso said about 370 students have signed a petition seeking to have soda restored.

When students returned to school this fall, they found soft drinks had "just kind of disappeared," Pareso said. "A lot of the students got a little bit irate about that."

District officials and board members chuckled at times during the students' appeal but also praised them on their presentation and promised a response.

Superintendent William Foley noted the removal of soda was prompted not just by the Legislature's deliberations but by recommendations from a parent group, SNAC, which he will provide to the students. He called the possibility of serving sugar-free soda "news to me."

Foley said the district would look into the diet soda option and urged the students to contact the representative from Chartwell's, the private company that runs the cafeteria at the high school. The company has a food service director based at the high school, officials said.

"I hope they take it seriously," Bergo said after the brief discussion.

SP-F adopts revised lang. arts curriculum

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

SCOTCH PLAINS — At their Sept. 22 meeting, Board of Education members approved portions of the district curriculum for the 2005-2006 school year, including a revised K-5 language arts curriculum that will stress reading and writing improvements.

The new language arts curriculum will include three major differences, said Margaret W. Hayes, assistant superintendent. One of the adjustments is in response to New Jersey Core Content Standards which have been revised to include specific standards for each grade level from grades 1-8, said Hayes. In the past, such standards were not as specific, spanning across several grade levels, according to Hayes. "Before, we made assumptions. Now we have the state establishing benchmarks," she said.

The new curriculum will also include more informational text to increase reading comprehension in areas that Hayes said are used "throughout life and in the

work place."

Students in grades K-5 will be encouraged to do more independent reading in addition to required school reading to promote better reading habits, said Hayes. "Reading is stressed throughout the curriculum, but what we are doing now will give opportunities for more independent reading," said Hayes. "The more children read, the better readers they become."

Language arts supervisor Diane Kelly said children will be monitored in their independent reading. "It is strongly encouraged, but we are going to keep track of this," said Kelly, who added that independent reading would include a combination of articles as well as other reading materials to give students a chance to read texts they are interested in. "We're just encouraging more reading."

Board member Craig Nowlin said independent reading would be judged on time spent reading, rather than the volume of books read. "It's the time spent every night, 20 minutes, as opposed to

counting books," said Nowlin.

Writing skills will also be stressed. "There will be a better balance between narrative, informational, functional writing and response to literature," said Hayes. She stressed that the new curriculum is not a "sudden drastic change" but is "really a continuation of the emphasis we've been putting on language arts over the last couple of years."

Hayes said the curriculum may be viewed by parents as soon as the documents are put together in binders and they will be made available in the school libraries. If a parent wishes to view the curriculum at the school library, Hayes suggested making an appointment with the principal so the parent does not disrupt the students who use the libraries during the day.

"The curriculum is always a work in progress," said Hayes, who added that the board will continuously get feedback from teachers on the curriculum's progress.

The next Board of Education meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 6.



Residents of Overt, Miss. stand beside some of the donations brought down by Temple Emanuel volunteers inside an igloo-shaped structure that survived Hurricane Katrina.

Tales of kindness

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help in Mississippi. She asked if the two could divert their route to Overt, a town that had only received ice, water and ready-to-eat meals and was in need of serious help.

Cantor and Goldman were just a few minutes from their planned destination when the call came through, and a decision had to be made. "We didn't know what to do," said Cantor. "I turned to Steve and asked him what we should do, and he said 'We'll go, we'll do it.'"

Cantor and Goldman called back Alexander, who asked if they had room in their truck to stop by Camp Jacob in Utica to pick up more supplies for Overt. Ironically — perhaps fatefully, Cantor believes — there was now plenty of room for more donations, since the new truck was much larger than the one they had started out in. "We'd be happy to," Cantor told her.

After picking up additional supplies such as diapers, first-aid kits, bandages and medical supplies at Camp Jacob, Alexander asked the pair if they had any peanut butter or fruit drinks containing vitamin C, something the survivors at Overt were in desperate need of. Realizing they didn't have those provisions, Cantor and Goldman called Temple Emanuel and were given authorization to buy the supplies.

The two picked up 10 cases of bleach, 10 cases of peanut butter and 10 cases of fruit juice at a local Wal-Mart. The truck that had once seemed only a quarter full was now packed and ready to go.

The two reached Overt at about 4 p.m. Sept. 20. Arriving in the town was perhaps the most difficult part of their trip. "When we saw it," said Cantor, "I can't describe it. The pictures you see can't convey the utter destruction there." The road to Overt was littered with fallen trees, debris

and road signs. A local woman who was helping distribute donations joined Cantor and Goldman and took them to an igloo-shaped structure, which seemed to be the only building that had withstood the force of the hurricane.

But it was the medical conditions of some of the victims Cantor and Goldman saw that truly affected them. "It was almost surreal. The children hadn't had diapers in weeks and were running around naked," said Cantor. "There were unrelenting bugs and everyone was bitten with open sores and wounds. We knew the medical supplies would be used right away."

Cantor recalls meeting a man who went only by the name "Bill" and was driving a truck, taking supplies to a group of 16 people who were living under a bridge. Cantor and Goldman asked Bill if they would be safe under the bridge; he replied that as long as the river didn't rise, they would be okay. With the subsequent arrival of Hurricane Rita, Cantor said he hopes the group was able to escape the area.

At the igloo, a human chain formed outside the truck, and Cantor and Goldman unloaded the supplies. Once again, human kindness appeared. The victims asked Cantor if it was true New Orleans had been destroyed. They had heard the news on the radio, their only means of communication with the outside world. When Cantor told them it was true, the residents of Overt, who had been living off the bare essentials provided by the government, told him, "If they need these supplies more than we do, take them there," Cantor replied, "Please, this is for you," and continued handing out the supplies.

The medical supplies were given to a nurse who used them to address immediate needs in the area, said Cantor. Though much has been made of the sluggish response of the government, Cantor said he saw evidence of the government's attempt to help victims with helicopters and road crews hard at work the whole way down to Overt. "The government did a great job getting at least the sustenance needed," he said.

When it was time to leave, Cantor and Goldman met with friends of Cantor's parents, William French and his family, at the U-Haul return center in Jackson. French and his family offered to help and drove the two to the Jackson airport. "It was beautiful," said Cantor of their offer. "They were strangers to me." Finally, Cantor and Goldman headed back home, changed by and appreciative of their experience.

"I will never look at a glass of water the same way," said Cantor, safely back in New Jersey. "You realize what you have and are very thankful."

Despite the devastation Cantor and Goldman saw, the trip's lasting message was a renewed sense of national pride and faith in human kindness. "I left with a very good feeling about America," said Cantor. "Everywhere we stopped, people were so kind."

Ordinances revise leaf collection, parking rules

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — The Town Council approved ordinances Tuesday regarding new procedures for the collection of leaves, parking restrictions at Lenape Trail and Watchung Fork, and revised standards for residential construction.

The township's leaf collection has been changed to occur earlier this year, starting Oct. 15. Under the new ordinance, passed to comply with new state stormwater regulations, no leaves may be placed on the

street prior to the collection date. Although it is not required, residents may place leaves in paper bags, which will be made available at the Department of Public Works around Oct. 3.

Another ordinance was adopted to prohibit parking on Lenape Trail and Watchung Fork, near a walkway used by students coming from Franklin School during certain times of the day. The amendment states that parking will be prohibited between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on school days for a dis-

tance of 70 feet to the right of the walkway on Watchung Fork and 235 feet to the left of the walkway on Lenape Trail.

These hours tend to cause a problem with line-of-sight when parents drop off and pick up their children from school, said town administrator Jim Gildea. Parking along the inner curb line at Watchung Fork will remain prohibited at all times for safety reasons and to allow for the passage of fire trucks.

The amendment also prohibits parking at Stoneleigh Park between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. on school days

along the outer curb line of the east side for a total distance of 700 feet.

Revisions were also made to the measurements of lot width and depth for single and two-family residential districts to "restrict the building envelope for corner lots," according to Gildea.

Since corner lots have different measurements than interior lots, Gildea said this ordinance will help prohibit the building of "non-traditional" houses on corner lots.

The next Town Council meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 5.

Hearing on Wychwood cell tower is postponed

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — A hearing over the proposed installation of a cell phone tower at the Wychwood Gardens neighborhood that was scheduled for last Monday was postponed, with no new date yet set.

The application had been scheduled to proceed before the Board of Adjustment, but was cancelled at the request of the applicant.

The issue has been before the board for a few months now, with testimony last heard in June. Wireless phone company AT&T/Cingular hopes to erect an 85-foot high tower to fill its coverage grid in the neighborhood. According to engineer Ajay Sawant, the section of town, off East Broad Street, has a large gap in coverage.

The company has also proposed the construction of a 10-foot by 25-foot shed near the tower, and may rent out space

on the tower to another cell provider if the board approves the project. The proposal requires several variances, including one for maximum fence height and another for the height of the pole. According to the RA-2 zone, flagpoles may only stand 45 feet high. But AT&T/Cingular

is arguing that the cell tower must stand at least 75 feet to clear the residential tree canopy.

There has been much opposition to the project from neighboring residents; at the June 15 meeting, about 80 angry residents showed up to voice their disapproval.

Class size complaints

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students may be coming from parochial schools, while others may be moving into homes previously occupied by residents with no children.

Another partial explanation for the larger classes, according to Choye, is that special education students at School One who only join regular class periods for art, music and physical education are counted as part of the total.

Board President Linda Nelson said the board is cognizant of

classroom size concerns, but hiring additional teachers would not fit within the constraints of the current school budget. "The board is aware that within the elementary community parents are concerned, but the point is there are 180 more students and 110 in elementary schools," said Nelson. "Our hands are tied in terms of adding new teachers."

"I know there are parents out there gathering their forces to talk to us about it," said Nelson. "I'm sure we'll be talking about it again."

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Rain garden installed at Fanwood library

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

FANWOOD — The Fanwood Memorial Library has a new educational addition, but it's not a set of encyclopedias or a new computer program.

Instead, the library is home to a new rain garden, designed to beautify the grounds, purify stormwater run-off and boost awareness of environmental issues.

The garden is a way to absorb rain water and keep it from flowing out to other waterways and into the sewer system, said David Schwartzberg, an Environmental Commission member and director of the Rahway River Association. The Union County Master Gardeners installed the rain garden Sept. 21 and will be in charge of maintaining it, he said.

The rain garden is part of a pilot program headed by Dr. Chris Obropta, a professor at Rutgers University hired by the

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to create a regional stormwater management plan. (Just two weeks earlier, a similar garden was installed under Obropta's direction at Hanson Park in Cranford). The Environmental Commission worked in coordination with the Rahway River Association in an effort to direct downspouts at the library toward the rain garden so that water "won't be wasted but conserved," Schwartzberg said.

Schwartzberg said under new state guidelines, each municipality will soon have ordinances in place that describe how to better manage stormwater. Part of that plan is to educate the public on stormwater management, and Fanwood's rain garden will provide learning opportunities.

"We felt putting it into the library would be a good place because a lot of people go there," said Schwartzberg, who added that educational pamphlets explaining how the rain garden

works will be available at the library soon.

Half of the surface area of the roof will now drain into the 500-square foot rain garden, which is filled with native plants. The rain garden is expected to collect 40,000 gallons of rain water annually, said Schwartzberg. The water will then absorb into the ground and will be filtered and cleaned by the plants and soil. "The water stays in the ground and moves very slowly and gets cleaned by the plants," said Schwartzberg. "It's a way of purifying the water."

Because the water will drain into the rain garden instead of out into the street, it will not collect any salt or impurities from the road before draining into the sewer, said Schwartzberg. Instead, the rain water caught by the rain garden will avoid picking up any pesticides or pollutants and will absorb into the ground. The water will then replenish the aquifer underneath and flow to the

Robinson's Branch of the Rahway River, Schwartzberg said.

The Environmental Commission hopes to encourage residents to create their own rain gardens in the future. Because Fanwood is a fully developed town, Schwartzberg said, there is very little open space, meaning more impervious surface area which causes more rain water to flow into the sewers. "There are more expensive methods of storm-water management, such as drywells," said Schwartzberg. "Rain gardens are a lot prettier."

The design of the garden will allow water to absorb within a day or two, even during heavy rainfall, said Schwartzberg. "The idea was for something to absorb quickly so it doesn't breed mosquitoes," he said. The final step in completing the rain garden will be to place a stone pathway across the garden so visitors don't have to walk through the plants.

Board approves policy on new sports teams

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Board of Education at its Sept. 22 meeting approved a new athletic policy that will allow community and parent groups to petition for and fund new athletic teams in the district.

Although the policy was popular among many students and parents, especially those hoping to form an ice hockey team, the board received a letter from Joan and James Pate, two Scotch Plains residents concerned with a provision of the policy that states the activities may begin to receive fiscal support from the school budget during the seventh year of operation.

In the letter, the Pates asked what programs might have to be dropped to allow for school financial support of the team during its seventh year, said board member Thomas Russo. Although Russo said it was not the intent of the policy to provide financial support for any proposed teams, the policy does

state the team "may begin to receive fiscal support," after six years of meeting certain standards.

Under the new policy, "programs that demonstrate sufficient progress in achieving the goals for student participation and program success, and that are not hindered or restricted by issues of fiscal accountability, changes in state mandates and other unforeseen circumstances," may receive fiscal support from the school budget proposed for the seventh year of the program's operation. However, the policy states that the cost of any off-site practices and competitions such as ice rink time "will always be the responsibility of the sponsoring association."

Board members said the issue of future funding would be difficult to address at the moment, since the decision to provide financial support for such programs is seven years off. "I don't anticipate being on this board in seven years," said Russo. "It would be difficult to foresee a situation where they would have

significant funds available to fund such a program. But we are not fortune-tellers."

Russo added that he thought the policy was "adequate at addressing the comments and concerns of the Pates" as well as those of community members and school officials. The policy requires any petitioning group to provide full funding for the athletic program for the first six years of operation.

Board President Linda Nelson agreed that any decision to drop a program in order to provide financial support for a team in seven years would be in the hands of a future Board of Education, but that it would depend on the school's budget. "I would imagine we won't get much more money from the state percentage-wise," said Nelson.

After the policy was approved, much of the audience, which was filled with a dozen parents and students wishing to start an ice-hockey team, applauded. However, Nelson reiterated that the board's

approval of the policy does not approve the establishment of an ice hockey team, but simply creates a means for groups to petition for and fund the program.

"We are adopting a policy this evening, we are not approving a hockey team," said Nelson. "I expect a report from administration with a recommendation, and at that point the board can consider voting."

The policy states the next step for petitioning groups is to establish a fund for the activity six months prior to the start of the season. Next, the athletic director and principal must forward a written recommendation to the superintendent that endorses or rejects the proposal. The superintendent would then review the proposal and give a written decision to support, reject or modify the proposal to the school board and the sponsoring organization. Finally, board members would vote on the proposal.

The next Board of Education meeting will be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 6.

Upgrade proposed for district technology

By GREG MARX
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — The Board of Education heard a proposal for a major upgrade of the district's technology infrastructure, as well as plans to continue expanding the Web site, at its Monday meeting.

The centerpiece of the upgrade proposed by Hal Johnson, the district's chief technology officer, would be the replacement of the T1 lines the district currently uses to transmit information with fiber optic cable. The T1 lines transmit data at a rate of about 1.5 MB per second, Johnson said, while fiber cables would offer speeds of 1 GB per second, or hundreds of times faster.

The project would also entail replacing the switches the district uses to send signals between computers at each of the 10 school buildings, moving to a new Internet provider and installing Cisco electronic equipment throughout the district, as well as a voiceover IP (VOIP) telephone system.

Johnson said the improvements would offer new instructional opportunities, such as video streaming and videoconferencing, and are also needed to accommodate the district's administrative needs. "We are just outgrowing the T1 speed that we have," he said.

If the board proceeds with the proposal, he said, "this capacity will give the district a good 20 years, if not longer."

Johnson said the upgrades will actually create cost savings in some areas. For example, the district currently spends about \$95,000 annually just for dial-tone service for its 360 phone lines. With a VOIP system in place, most of those lines could be eliminated, with a few retained for emergency service. The new system would also allow phones to be portable within the district, meaning a phone could be assigned to an individual staff member.

Johnson said the upgrades, paid for over a 10-year period, would cost about \$160,000 annually for the first five years, then just \$4,800 for the next two. In the last three years, after the fiber had been paid for, the district would see a sav-

ings of nearly \$113,000 annually over its current spending, he said.

The board did not take any action Tuesday, and the proposal will be referred to a subcommittee. But Superintendent William Foley said, "This is definitely going to be a budget item that (Business Administrator) Bob (Berman) and I are going to recommend."

The board also heard an update on the status of the district Web site from Barbara Mammen, the supervisor of instructional technology. Mammen noted that each of the schools has a page up on the site and said that all teachers will be trained in Web page creation at an in-service day on Oct. 10.

By the end of this school year, officials said, each teacher in the district will be expected to have up a three-part Web page, consisting of a home page, a calendar page and a contact page, through which parents will be able to send emails. Many teachers will likely have their pages up well before the end of the year, said Foley; beginning next year, the district will formally require the teachers to maintain the personal pages.

The board's next meeting will be 8 p.m. Oct. 11, at which time representatives from the high school guidance department will report on progress made in the past year.

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WESTFIELD

Westfield resident Brandon Panzano was charged Sept. 21 with possession of marijuana under 50 grams and possession of drug paraphernalia after he was stopped on Mountain Avenue. Panzano was released on his own recognizance with a summons pending an Oct. 5 court date.

Deidre Griffiths of Mt. Tremper, N.Y. and Shawn Spanhake Jr. of Lexington, N.Y. were charged with possession of marijuana under 50 grams, possession of drug paraphernalia and underage possession of alcohol. Both were released on their own recognizance pending an Oct. 5 court date.

Police arrested Margaret McCren Sunday on charges of public intoxication and underage possession of an alcoholic beverage underage and an outstanding warrant out of Manahawkin. McCren was released after being processed.

31-year old Westfield resident Koo Bae was charged with driving while intoxicated Sunday. Bae's blood-alcohol content was .14 percent, police said; he was subsequently released to a responsible party.

Police charged Westfield resident Kelan Doyle Sunday with a disorderly persons offense and obstructing the administration of law.

A Sandy Hill Road resident reported the theft of a bicycle valued at \$350 from the train station Saturday.

A resident of Colonial Avenue reported the theft of a cell phone Sunday while at Stop & Shop.

A First Street resident

reported the unlawful use of her credit card Friday, when an unknown amount of purchases was charged to her account.

A Westfield Avenue resident reported the theft of an \$800 bike from the resident's front yard Sunday.

SCOTCH PLAINS

Westfield resident Richard Thomas, 40, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and obstruction Sept. 17. Thomas allegedly gave a fake name when he was questioned by police. During a search, police allegedly recovered a glass pipe used to smoke cocaine.

An employee at a Scotch Plains bank reported being a victim of harassment Sept. 17. The victim stated that an unknown caller had made several harassing calls to her work and cell phone. There are no suspects at this time.

A resident of Ramapo Way reported being a victim of fraud Sept. 17. The victim received a call from her credit card company reporting \$4,350 worth of purchases had been made on the credit card. The victim said she had not authorized the charges and that she had recently lost her wallet in another town.

A Park Avenue business owner reported the theft of the sign in front of his store Sept. 18. The sign, valued at \$450, was taken sometime overnight; police have no suspects.

A resident of Jacobs Lane reported damage to his driveway lights Sept. 18. The victim said he heard fireworks being set off in the front of his house and noticed the damage when he went outside.

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Commentary

News from Trenton

For the average citizen, dealing with government, and especially with a legislative body, can be a confusing and frustrating process. The simple act of tracking the status of a piece of legislation as it bounces between subcommittees and is changed by amendments is challenging enough. Successfully advocating for a position — getting a hearing with busy legislators, find the levers of power, making a case for the best policy — is even harder. But Cranford resident Alan Williamson and his family have accomplished that feat.

Last week, acting Gov. Richard Codey signed Christopher's Law, which enacts stiffer penalties for unlicensed drivers who are involved in an accident that kills or seriously injures another person. The law is named after Christopher Williamson, Alan's 12-year-old son, who died when he was struck last year by a vehicle operated by an unlicensed driver.

Faced with an unspeakable tragedy, the Williamson family and their supporters worked to create something positive, and they have succeeded. They had strong moral and policy-based arguments in their favor, but, as several legislators involved in the process noted, a good argument is not always enough. What's also required is composure, a talent for persuasion and a persistent effort to see the issue through. Alan Williamson showed those qualities, and the law is now better for it.

While Christopher's Law was signed last week, Union County legislators were preparing to introduce another piece of legislation, one that would criminalize the sale of violent or sexually-explicit video games to minors.

The proposed law, touted in the state Assembly by Republican Jon Bramnick and Democrat Linda Stender, is hard to find fault with. Material in some of the most popular video games, such as *Grand Theft Auto*, is plainly unsuitable for children and younger teens, but the parental warning system now in place seems ineffective at limiting access to the games in question. In this case, tighter restrictions may well be appropriate.

At the same time, there are limits to the "prohibition model" when it comes to this sort of material. Neither our culture nor our politics are enriched by an environment in which politicians are encouraged to score points by attacking the latest threat to family values. (Does anyone want to relive the aftermath of the Janet Jackson's "wardrobe malfunction"?)

The appropriate role for government on these issues is to empower individuals and families to make their own choices. That means keeping restrictions on content and distribution to a minimum whenever possible. But it also means giving parents tools to select the cultural products they want for their families while avoiding the ones they don't. *The V-chip*, dismissed as a classic example of Bill Clinton's political posturing, is actually a useful step in this direction. Requiring cable television providers to offer an à la carte menu, rather than the current "one size fits all" option, would be another. There are other creative possibilities in this vein — we'd like to see our legislators find them.

The Record-Press is here for you

The following information should help you get your ideas and community news into *The Record-Press*:

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Letters to the editor

Reader finds sports column unfair

To The Record-Press:

These comments are addressed to sports editor Russ Crespolini with respect to his column in last week's edition.

I want to welcome you to your new position and your new column in *The Record-Press*. "Russ's Ravings." As a resident of Scotch Plains for over 20 years I have enjoyed following the local sport teams in the area well before any of my children were able to participate at the high school level. During those years I have attended games for the various sports both home and away, not only for Scotch Plains but also many of the post-season playoff and state final games for other Union County teams. I, too, often sit in the student sections when I watch these events. I subscribe to several of the local papers and enjoy reading about the local teams during their season.

Your recent column which included your observations of the varsity boys soccer game between Scotch Plains and Cranford was a piece of irresponsible, unsubstantiated journalism which I have never quite read before in your paper. I don't believe you did your homework and I also believe you came into the game with some preconceived notions about our team, coaches, and fans.

First, you state that your intent was to "head out to my first Raider game last week to see Scotch Plains take on the revitalized young Cranford team." If that was your mission then I assume you had some story line in mind before you went to the game.

If you had done your homework before the game, which I also assume you do as a reporter, you would have found that this year's Scotch Plains team is one of youngest soccer teams in the school's history. Its roster includes 12 sophomores and one freshman, all of whom are 15 years of age and younger. This may put the Raiders as an even younger team than Cranford. So in this case I'm not sure how accurate your story line may have been.

Second, you state, "The players were frustrated, coach Tom Breznitzky was frustrated, and the fans were frustrated." How did you ever reach that conclusion, never having attended a game between these two rivals? Coach Brez does not need to "read his players the riot act." The players are well coached, take the game seriously, and are all very competitive until the end, which showed in this game. I believe Coach Brez has an

exaggerated reputation that has been accentuated in the papers by losing coaches and teams. He can be known to be vocal on the sidelines and he often uses this ploy to stir things up. His teams usually respond, which is demonstrated by their having won more one-goal differential and overtime games than any opponent over the years. You were presumptuous when you write, "the game was a close one and not what the fans expected." If you had done your homework you would have seen there have been many close games over the years between these two rivals and no one takes anyone lightly.

Lastly and most importantly is your reporting on the fans. I too was in attendance at the game and heard a remark to which you may be making reference. It was actually a remark made from a Raider fan to a Raider player. If you watched closely you may have seen the Raider player turn and smile back to the fans after the remark. I did not hear any "ethnic slurs," as you reported and made the main theme in your article. Neither did others I have talked to since. I feel it was reckless journalism to pick one comment from one student and paint the picture you did about the Scotch Plains students, parents, school officials, and supporters in your column. Again, you picked the wrong angle.

There is actually a lot of camaraderie between the players and parents from the opposing teams throughout Union County. What you don't see are the parents and players from opposing teams talking to each other before and after the games. We've all been playing this sport together for a long time as competitors, at camps, or as teammates on our club teams. This would be a good storyline.

We all take a lot of pride in our children, their friends, school, teachers, and fellow parents. Your attack and criticism of the attendees as a whole was unwarranted, one I take personally, and I feel you owe them all an apology.

Russ, I wish you well as you hone your craft in *The Record-Press*. Get out and watch a few more games this year. Don't come in with any preconceived opinions based upon old clichés and rival opinion. Write articles that serve a purpose and don't blow an isolated incident into a defamation of a whole group of people. The Raider players, coaches, and fans are not the bullies you portray.

PHIL HESSEMER
Scotch Plains

Ferguson praised by Humane Society

To The Record-Press:

The Humane Society of the United States wishes to thank Congressman Mike Ferguson for working to protect the welfare of animals. Rep. Ferguson recently supported two successful amendments to protect America's horses — one to restore the 34-year federal protections for wild mustangs on public lands, and one to halt the use of our tax dollars to allow for the slaughter of nearly 100,000 American racehorses, show horses, family ponies, and other horses for human consumption overseas. The Senate just passed a similar horse slaughter amendment last week, which was co-sponsored by New Jersey's Senators Jon Corzine and Frank Lautenberg, both champions of humane causes.

Horses have a special place in our heritage. Horses helped Americans settle this country. For 400 years, they were a primary means of transport for Americans. And they are beloved companions to millions today. They deserve better than to be hoisted by a rear leg, cut with a long blade, and bled out for the purpose of being served to foreign gourmands. Americans don't eat horse meat, and our treasured companions shouldn't be slaughtered simply to become dinner entrées in France, Belgium, Japan, and other countries. Only three slaughterhouses in the U.S. process horses, and all three are foreign-owned companies.

Rep. Ferguson is also a co-sponsor of the Animal Fighting Prohibition Enforcement Act,

which will crack down on illegal dogfighting, cockfighting, and hog-dog fights. The bill creates felony-level penalties for the interstate transport or foreign commerce in fighting animals. Animal fighting is an organized criminal enterprise, and many illegal animal fighters simply treat minor penalties as a cost of doing business. Tens of thousands of dollars are at stake in illegal gambling profits at animal fights, and misdemeanor fines are no deterrent for organized crime rings. And he is a co-sponsor of the Computer-Assisted Remote Hunting Act, which would ban so-called "Internet hunting" in which people log onto Web sites and shoot captive exotic animals for trophies with the click of a mouse or a few strokes of a keyboard.

Rep. Ferguson is in good company as the Internet hunting bill is supported by both humane groups and hunting groups, and the animal fighting bill is supported by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the poultry industry, and more than 300 law enforcement agencies across the country. The Humane Society of the United States and its 22,358 members and supporters in New Jersey's Seventh Congressional District are grateful for Rep. Ferguson's humane sensibilities and his recognition of our duty to promote animal welfare.

MICHAEL MARKARIAN
Executive Vice President, External Affairs
The Humane Society of the United States
Washington, DC

Response to crisis came from many directions

By RICK PROCTOR
FREEHOLDER CHAIRMAN

As the floods waters continue to recede from New Orleans, our fellow Americans from that historic city face a new dawn. For those who have remained, their home is sure to be plagued by poverty and the assorted hardships related with the lack of an infrastructure to support life.

Guest commentary

For those who have relocated, their fortunes are also facing great uncertainty, the lack of most earthly possessions and a human infrastructure — having left friends and relatives behind and having been thrust into a new environment with little support.

From all ends, the Union County residents have been anxious to aid victims of Hurricane Katrina.

In the early days of the humanitarian crisis, nearly every municipality in the county offered to send police officers or firefighters. Emergency assistance workers from Linden, Westfield and Hillside, among others departed for the Gulf region. Twelve members of the Union County Emergency Response Team spent a week doing police and recovery work.

And according to Union County Human Services Director Frank Guzzo, Union County has already begun the process of accepting citizens who were forced to relocate by Hurricane Katrina into our area. They are being provided with expedited assistance in the areas of food stamps, Medicaid, and Emergency Assistance which includes help with housing.

Many of our residents have already thrown themselves into the gap created by the sluggish federal response, and while they may not have been able to pack a bag and run down to physically help, have responded in other ways through agencies such as the Red Cross, Salvation Army and the United Way.

In a catastrophe such as this, there can be never be enough assistance, and we implore all residents to donate in anyway they can.

Financial contributions from many Americans, in part, helped the Red Cross to create the debit cards which provided immediate financial aid to victims. And while FEMA struggled with similar plans, Red Cross representatives were there to provide assistance.

Locally, the Community Food Bank of New Jersey in Hillside, in cooperation with food banks across the country through America's Second Harvest, has collected food that is being transported to help our fellow Americans.

The county itself has collected food from employees in a drive that has been coordinated through the Office of Volunteer Services. This office has also forwarded information about the relief efforts to our network of more than 100 organizations, non-profits and governmental agencies that utilize volunteers.

Finally, while I've written a lot about volunteer efforts and the need to assist victims immediately, there will be time shortly to discuss what went wrong with the early emergency response.

We look forward to what will hopefully be an independent review of the facts. The people of New Orleans and the ravaged Gulf Coast area deserve it.

The Cranford Chronicle and Record-Press welcome submissions from our readers.

Commentary pieces may be edited for style, length and taste. Entries should be sent to union@njnpublishing.com. For more information, call editor Greg Marx at (732) 396-4219.

Letters to the editor

Parent offers response to column on soccer fans

To The Record-Press:

To sports editor Russ Crespolini: Thank you for your coverage of local sporting events in the local high schools. This is interesting to a wide variety of people, but most importantly the families and friends as well as the participants themselves. We are fortunate to have someone willing to spend the time to do it.

I feel compelled to comment on your recent reporting and specifically your column, "Rotten apples spoiling the bunch."

You are entitled to your opinions and your profession gives you access to having them printed. I hope you will keep an open mind to an opposing point of view.

My son plays for the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School soccer team; he is 16 years, 34 days old. I was at the Cranford-Scotch Plains game you reference and was standing by the SPF fans. For you to use your position to lambaste a group of students while complaining that young 15-year-old Cranford players were picked on by group of student fans is preposterous. The game is always hotly contested due to the healthy rivalry between the schools. Both teams are well coached and play a level of high school soccer above many. Players on both teams are the same age. High school soccer is often not pretty and is emotionally-charged, due largely to the age of the players involved — that becomes part of the game: if you don't like it, don't watch it. If you don't want a child subjected to physical and emotional challenges, don't have them participate in competition. Things said and done during my son's freshman year in the game played at Cranford were much worse than what I heard at the recent game. He was subjected to a chorus of curses and chants regarding his age and ability by name which I found very offensive but he calls part of the game.

Our student body like all high

schools is a work in progress and contains individuals who have, do, and will make mistakes. Our teachers and administration work very hard and have done a good job creating good citizens. They have created an environment where friendships cross the social, economic, racial, and religious barriers that may still exist in our society. They become so comfortable with each other that jokes poking fun at "old school" attitudes can be made by all. If you give it proper thought this is progress. You as an adult outsider hear a string of words and leap to a conclusion based on the environment you experience each day, not the environment which the kids experience every day. In this age of oversensitive political correctness I submit that teenagers are the most profiled group of American citizens that exists, and I think your column is proof of that.

To insinuate through guilt by association that our staff accepts poor behavior is irresponsible. When we were in high school this was called school spirit. Now we have teachers who must constantly encourage and educate the students on the types of acceptable cheering. They are constantly reminded to talk only to our team, not the opposition, and to make positive general statements.

To your reporting, while we all enjoy the local sports news, there is such a blatant slant to your reporting of Scotch Plains-Fanwood soccer that I must ask why. Clearly you have personal biases that you have allowed to enter into your reporting. The Record-Press may be a small town newspaper, but deserves professional reporting that is a compilation of the facts allowing the reader to come to a conclusion on their own, not led to the conclusion you have pre-determined.

TOM MEREDITH
Scotch Plains

Tighter restrictions for violent games are sought

By ANNA BORDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

Young fans of adult-themed video games such as *Grand Theft Auto* may have a hard time getting access to the favorite titles if the state Legislature moves forward with a proposal from a pair of Union County representatives.

Assemblywoman Linda Stender (D-22nd Dist.) and Assemblyman Jon Bramnick (R-21st Dist.) on Monday unveiled proposed legislation that would restrict the sale of violent and sexually explicit video games to minors.

Although the games now have warning labels designed to restrict their sale to customers under the age of 18, Bramnick said there is currently no enforcement or punishment of those transactions. "There is a backdoor that allows children to rent and buy things illegally," said Bramnick.

Although some video game retailers do check IDs when a customer purchases an M-rated game, Bramnick said such processes are currently voluntary and that the legislation is "simply taking it to the next level." In a test cited at Monday's press conference, 15 out of 17 purchases did not require a check of the customer's ID, said Bramnick.

The legislation would impose fines on retailers who "knowingly rent or sell a restricted video game to a minor" of \$50 for a first offense, \$100 for a second offense and \$250 for subsequent offenses. The bill also states that any retailer selling or renting video games must make available to customers upon request a brochure that explains the Entertainment Software Ratings Board (ESRB) ratings system. The rating system provides guidelines that designate the appropriate age for the consumer of a video or computer game. The ratings include: EC (Early Childhood); E (Everyone); T (Teen); M (Mature);

AO (Adults Only); or RP (Rating Pending).

At the press conference, Stender cited one much-criticized video game, *Grand Theft Auto: San Andreas*, which features violence towards police officers. In a statement from her office, Stender said, "Like so many other games on the market, this game targets underage players, yet trivializes homicide and violence against women and glorifies drug culture."

She added, "Regulating the distribution of extremely violent and sexually explicit video games will provide the necessary limitations to allow parents to have the final say in determining what games are excessive and what games are suitable for their children to play."

In a report issued by the Federal Trade Commission, about 70 percent of 13 to 16-year-olds are able to purchase M-rated games and 92 percent of children play video or computer games, of which about 40 percent are M-rated. According to Bramnick, the content of those games can shape children's behavior.

"Some (games) train them to do things, in the mind of a 13 or 14-year-old," he said. "Evidence seems to indicate there is some effect on young minds."

Under the bill, retailers would also be prohibited from selling or renting violent or sexually explicit games unless the front face of the game package is clearly labeled with a solid white "18" outlined in black to alert parents of its contents.

Bramnick said the legislation would give parents an advantage in understanding the content of video games in a time when children are often more technologically educated than their parents. "Today, kids are sometimes better at operating these things than we are," he said.

The measure, known as A-4358, is currently pending introduction.

Candidates Corner



Council candidate out on the ice

Westfield Town Council candidate Dave Haas, third from right, spends some time helping the Westfield High School ice hockey team at a captains practice. Haas, a Democrat, is running for a seat in the Third Ward in the Nov. 8 election.

Walsh named board liaison

WESTFIELD — Mayor Andy Skibitsky has appointed Third Ward Councilwoman Danielle Walsh as Town Council liaison to the Board of Education and asked her to explore additional areas for greater collaboration and shared services.

Skibitsky said Councilwoman Walsh is uniquely qualified to be the liaison since she served on the board for nine years, three of them as president. Walsh is also up for re-election on Nov. 8.

"Danielle has outstanding credentials in the Westfield education community. Her leadership has played a key role in keeping Westfield's schools among the best in the state year after year, and I'm confident that her experience on the Board of Education will pay dividends for the Town Council as we continue to look for creative ways to spend smarter and save taxpayer money," said

Skibitsky.

Walsh said she would like to establish regular communication and dialogue between the Town Council and the Board of Education to increase efficiency through shared services.

"We are already practicing shared resources in a number of areas," said Walsh. "Discussions have begun with representatives of both the Town Council and Board of Education to explore other available opportunities for collaboration."

"I'm also working with Councilman Mark Ciarrocca, Dr. Foley, school principals, BRAKES and the police department to discuss traffic and pedestrian safety around the schools. We will be reaching out to parents through the Parent Teacher Council and individual PTA/PTO groups to hear their concerns before we make any decisions."

Borough creates new rain garden at library

To The Record-Press:

In keeping with the new storm water rules issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, our Environmental Commission of Fanwood, and specifically David Schwartzberg of the Commission, has introduced and coordinated the establishment of a "rain garden" adjacent to our library.

The purpose of the "rain garden" is to capture the rain water from the library roof and direct it to the "garden" as a storm water mitigation project, which may be introduced at sites with impervious cover issues. The plantings

have been performed by the Union County Master Gardeners and will be used as an educational project at the Fanwood Library.

Indigenous plants of New Jersey were used in the plantings. In coordination with the Rahway River Association, Mr. Schwartzberg and the Commission hope this "rain garden" project will be used to collect rain water by directing downspouts so that rain water won't be wasted but conserved. The garden can be viewed currently as it is in place.

CLAYTON PIERCE
Fanwood

Bramnick wins kudos

To The Record-Press:

I want to thank Assemblyman Jon Bramnick for tackling the outrageous rising gas prices with his recent proposed legislation.

With gas prices climbing to astronomical heights, it's about time someone has taken action on zone pricing. To think that our Legislature allows oil companies to pick and choose who they will sell gas to at different rates is absurd. Simply because certain towns are more affluent

than others is no reason to target them with higher prices. What about people passing through those towns who need gas?

With gas prices causing a big hit to my wallet, I'm grateful that someone is finally looking out for my well being and doing something about it. Thank you, Mr. Bramnick. You have my vote on Nov. 8!

CHRISTINE HEARN
New Providence

Criticism for Ferguson

To The Record-Press:

After the Gulf Coast states were damaged by Hurricane Katrina, President Bush suspended the Davis-Bacon Act (1931), which requires that federally-funded reconstruction contract recipients pay laborers the prevailing local wage. For example, one hourly wage in Louisiana, for a "common laborer," is \$9.55. With the suspension of Davis-Bacon, these workers will make \$5.15 per hour.

What does our Representative Mike Ferguson think about this? He thinks it is fine, as long as it is temporary. Ferguson signed on to the Sept. 15 "LoBiondo letter," which suggests that the Davis-Bacon suspension should end by Nov. 8, 2005. A House bill to overturn the suspension immediately, H.R. 3763, has about 180 co-sponsors. They are all Democrats. Ferguson, a Republican, does not object to a huge pay cut for laborers. He does not mind paying \$5.15 per hour for at least two months, and he probably signed the lukewarm, toothless LoBiondo letter just to provide some political cover for himself. If Ferguson

really cared about the Gulf States' reconstruction workers, he would support H.R. 3763.

JOHN CANTILLI
Cranford

Costumes on sale at Thrift Shop

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Thrift Shop, located at 1730 East Second Street, will once again host its annual Halloween Costume sale.

Costumes and costume "possibilities" will be available on Tuesday when the shop opens at 10 a.m. During the past year, the volunteers have been saving Halloween and fall merchandise to be put out for sale in October. The storage racks and bins have been overflowing with decorations for the home or office and costumes for everyone from toddlers to adults.

Looking for something scary, pretty, hairy, hippy, funny, too big, too small, too short, too tall? How about medical, mechanical, construction, aviation, or nautical? You'll find it at the Thrift Shop, which has bumblebees, princess dresses, ladybugs, skeletons, ghosts and much more. The shop also has fabric and trims for those handy with a needle.

If you don't see what you're looking for, stop in and visit another day or ask the volunteers to assist you; they might find what you're looking for in the additional inventory. The costume rack will be resupplied daily as room permits.

For more information or directions, call the store at (908) 322-5420. The Service League, which operates the shop, is a non-profit organization run by volunteers. To find out how to become a member, call the shop or the Membership Chairman at (908) 322-8496.

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First TGIF festival is set for Saturday

WESTFIELD — The First Annual TGIF — "Thank God It's Fall" — Family Festival will be kicked off with music, Frisbees for the kids, activities, and an opportunity for residents to meet their neighbors from 1-4 p.m. Saturday at Mindowaskin Park.

Sponsored by the non-profit organization My Way Home, Allstate Insurance, the American United Mortgage Corporation, Safe & Sound Home Inspection and Westfield Fourth Ward Councilman, James Foerst, the TGIF festival

is designed to promote neighborliness among Westfield families and give new residents an opportunity to meet their neighbors and a number of town representatives.

"Lots of people move into Westfield during the summer, and we thought this would be a way to not only show them just how friendly a town we are, but give longtime residents and their families a chance to catch up with friends before the hectic holiday season and people get locked in for the winter," said Joseph Farella, Westfield hous-

ing commissioner.

The festive mood will be enhanced by the sounds of the New Jersey's band Primitive Soul, known for its original funky, bluesy rock sound that catapulted the band's last CD, *Devotion*, onto the list of Top 10 Independent Bands of 2004. A popular opener for such national acts as Clarence Clemons, the Kinks, and Amphibian, the band blends influences from the Doobie Brothers to Santana to Springsteen.

"We take pride in the fact that Westfield is a vibrant,

friendly town with a good school system and a responsive government, and we are always looking for ways to underscore that feeling," says Foerst. "We think that holding an annual family festival where friends and neighbors can touch base with each other — enjoy a town party with their entire family, if you will — is all part of what makes Westfield a great place to live."

Admission to the TGIF Festival is free. For more information, contact Denise Lang at Words & Music at (908) 595-9948.

Library adds pair of Early Literacy Stations

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Memorial Library has installed two new Early Literacy Stations. These kid-friendly, attractive computer stations are interactive and easy to use.

"From the brightly colored keys to the tiny mouse, this set-up draws kids in and holds their interest," said Kathy Muhm, head children's librarian and assistant director.

These stations are loaded with top-rated software geared toward toddlers through third graders so children (and their parents) do not have to handle CDs or worry about the system set-up. In fact, the system is so intuitive it enables even young children to work independently.

While the software emphasizes reading and literacy, users have the opportunity to branch out into seven different subject areas including math, social studies, science and, of course, computer skills.

Beginning readers are encouraged to explore the Early Literacy Stations before or after

one of the activities the library offers. Upcoming programs include:

For the children:

Baby Rhyme Time, for babies who are not yet walking with caregiver, from 10-10:20 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 29. Babies and their caregivers participate in rhymes, lap bounces, songs, and claps.

Wayside School, from 3:15-4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30. Kindergartners and older children can listen to hilarious stories from Louis Sachar's books about the school unlike any other.

For the adults:

TGIF: Our Constitution, at 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30. Participants will celebrate the birthday of the document that defined a new type of government.

For more information or to register for free adult programs, call (908) 789-4090, visit the library's Web site at www.wmlnj.org, or stop by for a copy of the quarterly newsletter.

Tickets available for college planning event

WESTFIELD — Tickets are still available for the College Woman's Club's major college planning event from 9:30 a.m. to noon Saturday at Echo Lake Country Club.

Titled "What Color is Your Pennant? Choosing & Getting Chosen by Your Ideal College," the event will feature a breakfast and a talk by two prominent admissions "insiders."

Keynote speaker Jacques Steinberg is the author of *The Gatekeepers: Inside the Admissions Process of a Premier College*. The bestselling book chronicles the real-life admissions process at Wesleyan University in a year when there were 10 applicants for every seat in the freshman class.

Steinberg will be followed by Scott White, a guidance counselor at Montclair High School and former assistant director of admissions at Bard College. A member of the National Association of College Admissions Counselors, he will provide candid, commonsense

advice on helping parents navigate the college choice and admissions process.

The program is geared to parents of middle and high school students; students may attend if accompanied by an adult. Among the topics White will cover in his talk are: looking beyond "status" schools to find the right match for your child; the new SAT and ACT as an option; applying early decision; athletic recruiting; single-sex schools; and special education issues in college admissions.

Admission to the event is \$40 and includes a program book with articles provided by the speakers. Tickets must be purchased in advance at The Town Book Store, 255 E. Broad St.; no tickets will be sold at the door. All proceeds from the event, which will include book sales and a student-themed basket raffle, will benefit the CWC scholarship fund. For further information, visit the club's Web site at www.WestfieldToday.com/cwc or write to cwclub@aol.com.

CHILD group changes name

SCOTCH PLAINS — The CHILD Organization — Scotch Plains Fanwood Chapter, (formerly The Learning Disabilities Association of Scotch Plains-Fanwood) has finalized its name change and is going forward with plans to continue to help children with learning differences or disabilities.

The CHILD Organization, which stands for Children Having Individual Learning

Disabilities, is a nonprofit organization that dedicates itself to providing resources and support to children and their families where there is a learning difference or challenge. Lisa Zimmerman is the new president of the local chapter.

The CHILD Chapter of SPF will continue to provide free monthly programs that offer Continuing Education Units to parents, teachers and professionals along with student programs that aid in transition to the middle schools and high school.

The next scheduled program of the chapter is called "Stop the Bullying Now" and will take place 7:30 p.m. Oct. 20 at Park Middle School. Anyone interested in attending should call (908) 322-4020, ext. 5 or visit the Web site at www.childorgspf.org.

Legal Notices

Public Notice
Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway is being considered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) for the prestigious designation of Magnet. The Magnet Recognition Program is conducting a site visit to evaluate the environment in which nursing is practiced. Only those organizations demonstrating nursing excellence earn the recognition of Magnet.

Patients' family members, staff and interested parties who would like to participate in this evaluation process are encouraged to do so. Comments are kept CONFIDENTIAL and may be sent anonymously. The comments received will NEVER be shared with this facility. However, all comments must be in writing or typed and forwarded to ANCC on or before the Close of Business October 17, 2005. Anyone may send comments via e-mail, fax, or direct mail to the addresses and/or numbers listed below.

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Wendy Cozzi, a Westfield United Way Board member and Schools Committee member, shares her enthusiasm for miniature golf with the tournament director, Adam Becker.

HS junior, United Way team up for golf tourney

A low score might win you a prize at an upcoming miniature golf tournament fundraiser at Hyatt Hills Golf Course in Clark, from 2-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15.

Adam Becker, a Westfield High School junior, has joined forces with the Westfield United Way to create a tournament for both kids and adults.

"My family has always been involved with charities, and I wanted to do something that would involve kids and adults and my love for golf," said Becker. "The United Way was my first choice since they're involved with so many great causes."

The Westfield United Way supports 19 Westfield area agencies that provide meaningful charitable services to the citizens of the town.

"Unfortunately," added Becker, "Hurricane Katrina came along and it became obvious that we should try to help those people devastated by the storm. Therefore, we all decided that the proceeds from this golf tournament will go to the United Way of America Hurricane Katrina Response Fund."

The cost to enter the tournament is \$10 per person for all ages. The tournament format will be single person stroke play. Prizes will be awarded for lowest score in each age division: Elementary School (and under), Middle School (Grades 6 to 8), High School (Grade 9 to 12) and an Adult Division. In addition, prizes will be given to the player who gets the most holes in one and to the team with the lowest score for a foursome. A complete set of rules will be distributed at the tournament.

Tickets will be sold in advance at the Leader Store on East Broad Street, Randall Shoes on Elm Street, Coldwell Banker on Central Avenue and at the Westfield United Way Office adjacent to the train station. Tickets will also be for sale at the event.

Hole sponsorships are being sold to local businesses and individuals for \$100. Each sponsor will receive two \$10 admission tickets to the event, a sign to be posted on the course on the day of the tournament, and an ad listing in the program that will be distributed to each participant. Prize sponsorships are also available for each of the tournament divisions.

To sign up to be a sponsor, call Adam Becker at (908) 232-1200.

County clerk will address Westfield Historical Society

WESTFIELD — Joanne Rajoppi, Union County clerk, will be the guest speaker at the First Wednesday Luncheon of the Westfield Historical Society at noon Wednesday at B.G. Fields Restaurant, 560 Springfield Ave.

This year is the centennial of the Union County courthouse. As chairwoman of the Union County Courthouse Centennial and Cornerstone Committee, Rajoppi will discuss the many exhibits and events that have been featured since the Centennial and Cornerstone Capsule Exhibits debuted on Feb. 28.

She will also tell of the difficult search for the 102-year-old capsule that was eventually discovered and unveiled in the opening ceremony. Rajoppi said, "The important historical value of the artifacts encased in the capsule, along with their one-of-a-kind status, made the unveiling very exciting." The capsule had been sealed in granite on July 30, 1902 at the official ground laying of the Greek Revival building. These exhibits will be on display until Dec. 9.

They are located on the first and lower floors of the courthouse rotunda.

Rajoppi has served as Union County clerk since 1995 where, in fulfilling her many duties and responsibilities, she manages an annual revenue of more than \$30 million dollars. Prior to becoming the Union County clerk she served as Union County registrar of deeds and mortgages from 1984 to 1995. She also served as assistant secretary of state for Gov. Brendan Byrne and as freeholder chairwoman and Springfield Township mayor and councilwoman; she was the first woman to have served in each of these positions. Appointed to the Presidential Commission Scholars by President Jimmy Carter, she is also the author of *Women In Office: Getting There and Staying There*.

Regular attendees to the luncheon will be contacted by a phone committee of the Society to verify their reservations. Space permitting, others may attend the luncheon by calling (908) 233-6360 by noon Monday.

Obituaries

Walter A. Hack

FANWOOD — Walter Andrew Hack, 59, died Sept. 27, 2005 at his home.

Born in Rahway, he lived in Clark before moving to Fanwood 20 years ago.

Mr. Hack owned and operated Ocean Marine Navigation Inc. (OMNI) in Fanwood for the past 20 years. Earlier, he was a senior meteorologist with the Bendix Corp. in Teterboro.

Mr. Hack earned a bachelors degree in biology from Villanova University in 1968 and a master's degree in meteorology from the Naval Post Graduate School in San Diego, Calif., in 1969. He also earned a master's in business administration from Union College, Schenectady, N.Y., in 1982.

He was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War, attaining the rank of lieutenant.

Mr. Hack was a member of the parish council of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church and a member of the American Meteorology Society.

Surviving are his wife, Marcia D.; a son, David W.; a daughter, Jennifer L. Collins; brothers, Robert D. and Theodore W., and two grandchildren.

A Mass was offered Saturday in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1571 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, after the funeral from the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Ave., Fanwood. Interment was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Donations may be made to Atlantic Hospice Home Care & Hospice, 33 Bleeker St., Millburn, NJ 07041 or the St. Barnabas Foundation, 94 Old Short Hills Rd., Livingston, NJ 07039.

Irene M. Clement

WESTFIELD — Irene M. Clement, 89, died Sept. 20, 2005 in Bayshore Community Hospital.

A native of Raritan, she lived in Westfield since 1938.

Mrs. Clement was a eucharistic minister and member of the Rosary Altar Society, both at St. Helens Church.

She was a volunteer at the Genesis ElderCare nursing home

in Westfield.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Calao; sons, Anthony and Joseph; brothers, Alex, Army and William Salerno; nine grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A Mass was offered Saturday in St. Helen's Church, Westfield. Arrangements were by the Dooley Colonial Home, Westfield. Entombment was in St. Bernard's Cemetery, Bridgewater.

James G. Steigerwald

FANWOOD — James G. Steigerwald, 52, died Sept. 20, 2005 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

A native of Pittsburgh, he lived in Fanwood.

Mr. Steigerwald was a chief research analyst for the American Trucking Association, based in Washington, D.C. After that, he was an analyst with Amtrak in New York City and the Department of Defense in

Bayonne.

He earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg, Va.

Surviving are his mother, LaVerne Steigerwald, and brothers, John and David.

Arrangements were by the Memorial Funeral Home, Fanwood. Interment was in Pittsburgh, Pa.

William Harburger Jr.

FANWOOD — William J. Harburger Jr., 85, died Sept. 24, 2005 at Sunrise Assisted Living in East Brunswick.

Born in Newark, he lived in Irvington before moving to Fanwood 47 years ago.

Mr. Harburger was an accountant with the firm of Daystrom/Schlumberger in Elizabeth for 30 years before retiring.

An accounting graduate of

Rutgers University, Mr. Harburger served in World War II in the Army as a technical sergeant in the Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe campaigns. He received four bronze campaign stars.

A service was offered Wednesday in the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Ave., Fanwood. Interment was in Fairview Cemetery, Westfield.

Stanislawa Franco

SCOTCH PLAINS — Stanislawo Franco, 82, died Sept. 23, 2005 in the Bridgeway Care Center, Bridgewater.

Born in Poland, she came to the U.S. in 1958 and lived in Plainfield before settling in Scotch Plains in 1960.

Mrs. Franco was the owner and founder of Victor's Custom Tailor in Scotch Plains with her late husband, Victor, before retiring in 1985.

Fluent in Polish and Italian, she served as a translator in the community for many years.

Surviving are a son, Claude; daughters, Cristina, Gina Perez, and Maria McHugh; 10 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A Mass was offered Monday at St. Bartholomew the Apostle Church, after the funeral from the Rossi Funeral Home, 1937 Westfield Ave. Interment was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Christina DiLonardo

WESTFIELD — Christina Marie DiLonardo, 37, died Sept. 22, 2005 in the Florida Hospital in Palm Coast, Fla.

Born in North Miami Beach, she lived in Westfield before moving to Palm Coast last year.

Surviving are a son, Jesse;

her parents, Mary Ann and William Isernia; a brother, Keith Isernia, and her grandmother, Rachel Connors.

A service was held Monday in the Forest Hills Funeral Home in Palm City, Fla.

Fern Butterweck

SCOTCH PLAINS — Fern Butterweck, 84, died at her home in Edgartown, Mass.

Born in Elizabeth, she lived in Scotch Plains for 45 years before moving to Edgartown.

Mrs. Butterweck worked at Prudential Insurance and later Merck during World War II.

A figure skater at the Raritan Valley and Essex Skating Club in New Jersey, she was also a

judge for entry-level competitions.

She was a member of the Farm Neck Golf Club on Martha's Vineyard.

Surviving are a daughter, Deborah Carter; a sister, Audrey Down; and two grandchildren.

Services were held in Edgartown. Arrangements were by the Chapman, Cole & Gleason Funeral Home, Oak Bluffs, Mass.

Dolores E. Bergh

SCOTCH PLAINS — Dolores E. Bergh, 68, died Sept. 25, 2005 at her home.

Born in Cranford, she lived in South Plainfield and Califon before moving to Scotch Plains 30 years ago.

Mrs. Bergh owned Four Seasons Residential and Commercial Cleaning Service for 30 years.

She was an auxiliary member of the Watchung Hills Elks.

Surviving are a daughter, Natalie Cevallos; stepsons, Robert,

Jeff and Arthur Jr.; a stepdaughter, Nadine Wendell; brothers, Guido and Carmen Coladonato; a sister, Yolanda Scollan, and two grandchildren.

A service will be offered at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Fanwood Presbyterian Church, Fanwood. Arrangements are by the Rossi Funeral Home, Scotch Plains. Donations may be made to Haven Hospice, c/o JFK Hospital, 65 James St., P.O. Box 3059, Edison, NJ 08818.

Pearl Shupp

CRANFORD — Pearl Shupp, 72, died Sept. 19, 2005 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Newark, she lived in Cranford for 46 years.

Mrs. Shupp was a secretary at the Cranford United Methodist Church for 18 years before retiring in 1990.

She was a member of the United Methodist Women.

Surviving are her husband, Clarence F. "Skip"; sons, Steven, Robert and Richard "Ralph"; a

daughter, Nancy Hade; brothers, Richard and Thomas Robin; sisters, June Lumia and Gloria Robin; and six grandchildren.

A memorial service was offered Friday in the Cranford United Methodist Church. Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home, 218 North Ave. West, Cranford.

Donations may be made to the Cranford United Methodist Church, 201 Lincoln Ave. East, Cranford, NJ 07016.

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DWC director offers an update on downtown

By SHERRY CRONIN

DOWNTOWN WESTFIELD CORP.

The Downtown Westfield Corporation (DWC) welcomes the following exciting new businesses to the Westfield's shopping, dining, and service district:

Fitness Together has opened at 222 North Ave. West, offering private, one-on-one personal training sessions. Fitness Together and Fitness for Life programs operate in many U.S. and international locations. A 20 percent off grand opening special is being offered for any initial training program.

Salon Visage recently opened its brand new facility at 230 North Ave. West, on the second floor.

Dahn Yoga has opened at 241 North Ave. West. Dahn Centers teach Dahnhak and Brain Respiration. Through these practices a new level of health, happiness, and peace is experienced. The first Dahn Center was established in Korea in 1985 by Dr. Ilchi Lee, who created Dahnhak by modernizing and systemizing an ancient body-mind-spirit training tradition of Korea.

HomeCare America has opened at 317 South Ave. West. HomeCare America offers a wide variety of medical and ambulatory products.

GameStop has opened at 121 East Broad St. Headquartered in Grapevine, Texas, GameStop.com Inc. is the world's largest online video game and entertainment software specialty retailer.

SatSang Yoga & Boutique recently relocated to 305 South Ave. West. This yoga studio also offers a full line of exercise wear and accessories.

Set to celebrate Addams Family Month

WESTFIELD — Charles Addams is one of the greatest cartoonists in American history. Working at *The New Yorker* magazine for over 30 years, he delighted readers with drawings of the macabre. His characters became famous first with a TV series, then an animated show and finally a feature film, all called "The Addams Family."

Addams grew up in Westfield and was very proud of his hometown. Familiar buildings, friends and family would make regular appearances in his artwork. He attended Westfield High School, graduating in 1929, and would often visit to attend weddings and neighborhood gatherings.

In 1991 Ron MacCloskey, also a former resident of Westfield, felt it was time to honor this terrific artist. He gave lectures, had Addams' boyhood home declared a historic landmark and founded the Charles Addams Art Scholarship.

Now, for the second year in a row, in conjunction with Downtown Westfield Corporation, MacCloskey is spearheading the biggest tribute to date. Taking place during the month of October, there will be displays, contests, and events all throughout Westfield to celebrate Halloween and Addams' creepy, kooky art. Scheduled events are listed below.

The Franklin School Pumpkin Fair will take place at Roosevelt Intermediate School on Oct. 22 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Call the Franklin School PTO at (908)



GameStop, located at 121 E. Broad St., recently celebrated its grand opening and also participated in the Downtown Westfield Corporation (DWC) facade incentive program to historically restore the storefront. Pictured from left are Hans Winberg, Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce chairman; Brandon West, GameStop employee; Carlos Santana, GameStop employee; Mayor Andy Skibitsky; Chris Chin, GameStop employee; Chris Wilson, GameStop employee; and Sherry Cronin, executive director, Downtown Westfield Corporation.

Esprit will be opening soon at 151 E. Broad St.

Blue Mercury will be opening soon at 82 Elm St., next to Randall's Shoes.

Mojave Grill has moved to 35 Elm St. and Isabella's American Bistro will be opening soon at 39 Elm St. (the former locations of Lime and Elm Street Café).

Café St. Charles will be opening soon at 235 North Ave. West.

the former location of Mojave Grill.

Westfield is also honored to be one of 26 designated Main Street Communities in New Jersey, a program of the National Trust's National Main Street Center.

For the latest happenings, event information, and promotional offers from Westfield businesses, check out www.WestfieldToday.com.

789-4590 for information.

The Downtown Westfield Corporation will be hosting Trick or Treat Downtown from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 29. Children can dress up and trick-or-treat at their favorite downtown businesses. A costume contest will take place at 4:30 p.m. on Quimby Street and prizes will be given to those who fit categories provided by downtown businesses. Call (908) 789-9444 for information.

The Presbyterian Church is hosting a "Voices from the West Fields" tour of the colonial burial grounds on Mountain Avenue from noon to 3 p.m. Oct. 29. Tickets are \$5 for individuals, \$10 per family. Call (908) 233-0301 for more information. In the event of rain, the event will be held in the Parish House at 140 Mountain Ave.

Williams Nursery will be having a scarecrow decorating contest, hayrides, pumpkin picking, a hay maze, and pony rides throughout the month. A costume contest will take place at 2 p.m. Oct. 29. Prizes will be given. Call (908) 232-4076 for more

information.

On Oct. 30, the Y's Men's Club will hold its annual parade and costume contest. Those in costume will meet at the Elm Street field (across from Stop 'n' Shop) at 12:45 p.m. A parade will follow down Elm Street, turning onto East Broad Street to Mindowaskin Park. A costume contest will follow, with judging for various age categories.

On Oct. 31, the Westfield Recreation Department will host its 15th annual Haunted House at the Memorial Pool from 5-9 p.m. A Mild Tour will take place from 5-6 p.m. Call the Recreation Department at (908) 789-4080 for information.

On Nov. 1, the Union County Freeholders will sponsor the Great Pumpkin Sail at Echo Lake Park from 6-9:30 p.m. Residents are invited to bring a Jack-o-lantern to sail on the lake. Pre-registration is required. Call (908) 527-4900 for information.

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Landscaper responds to complaints

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ
THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — After Myrtle Avenue residents took their grievances with a local landscaping company to the Town Council, the owner of the company said he has previously tried to honor the neighbors' requests.

Jeff Scotti, the owner of Jeff's Landscaping, said last week he was not aware the residents voiced their grievances about noise and safety at the council's Sept. 13 meeting until contacted by a reporter. In the past, he said, he has made an effort to accommodate the concerns.

A group of angry residents showed up at the council meeting to complain that the landscaping company was causing a safety issue for children, who often ride their bikes on the street, and that the noise and constant movement of trucks

from the company's driveway is a nuisance.

"There's sand, dust, dirt and they've violated the noise ordinance often, it is believed," Myrtle Avenue resident Virginia Cosenza said at the council meeting.

"It's all news to me," said Scotti after the meeting. He said the company had made some changes in response to complaints in the past — for example, backup sensors on the trucks have been shut off. In addition, Scotti said the company has adjusted its working hours to begin at 9 a.m. Saturdays and 8 a.m. weekdays.

In response to accusations from residents that the company had expanded its use of the site beyond its function as a storage area, Scotti said the business has not changed. "It's still storage. The trucks leave in the morning and are back at

night," said Scotti. "It's not like a trucking company."

Third Ward Councilman Mark Ciarrocca said he would discuss the issue with the company if needed. "If they're willing to discuss it, I'm willing to speak to them," said Ciarrocca.

Some improvements have been made to the street to address certain road safety concerns, according to Ciarrocca. The Department of Public Works filled in potholes, and Ciarrocca said he has asked the police department to continue enforcement in the area. The matter has been referred to the town attorney who will continue research on the issue, said Ciarrocca.

The Town Code Review Committee will address the issue at an upcoming meeting Oct. 11. Scotti said he hopes to see a solution. "Hopefully it will get resolved, and we'll take it from there," he said.

Club hears of Olmsted's influence

WESTFIELD — On Sept. 13, members of the Garden Club of Westfield heard a presentation dealing with Frederick Law Olmsted Sr.'s influence on the park system in New Jersey, particularly Union County.

The meeting was held at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield, with Kathleen P. Galop and Sean Ryan presiding. Galop is an expert in cultural and historic landscapes and their preservation and restoration. Ryan is the landscape architect for Union County and a member of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

While he is well-known as the premier landscape architect and designer of Central Park, Olmsted and his sons, John and Frederick (as part of the Olmsted Firm of Brookline, Mass.) designed parks all of the country. Projects included the Emerald Necklace in Boston, Jackson Park, Washington Park and the connecting parkway in Chicago for the Columbian Exposition, and the first city park system in Buffalo. The firm developed 3,000 projects, including the design and development of numerous parks in Union County. The Olmsted Brothers Landscape Architects Firm convinced Union County to acquire enough land to have a unified park system, as well as to have



SEAN RYAN AND KATHLEEN P. GALOP

the parks connected by parkways.

Olmsted designed Branch Brook Park in Newark, and the assembled group viewed a film describing the history of the park (including a gift in 1927 of

3001 cherry trees), its deterioration, and the current effort to restore it. Branch Brook Park was part of the Essex County Park Commission, a unique organization formed to develop parks in the county and the first of its kind in the country (Union County was the second). Ryan described the history of Echo Lake Park, as well as the plan to drain the lake at the western entrance to the park and to otherwise clean and restore the entire park.

The Olmsted presentation was organized by Sally Brown and Diane Clemson, co-chairs of the program. It was offered through the Horizons Speakers Bureau of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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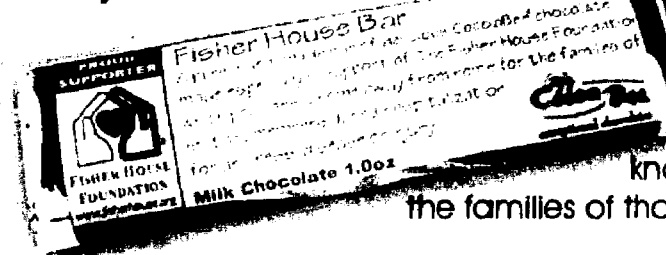
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THURSDAY
SEPT. 29

GUIDED MEDITATION — county-sponsored event at Trailside Nature and Science Center, 8-9:30 p.m. \$10 for county residents. (908) 789-3670.

PARENTHOOD SEMINAR — presented by Michael Thomson and sponsored by Prevention Links, 6-8:30 p.m. The Westwood, North Avenue, Garwood. \$15. (732) 381-4100.

FRIDAY
SEPT. 30

TEEN DANCE PARTY — hosted by the Scotch Plains Recreation Department, 6:30-10 p.m. Alan Augustine Village Green. (908) 322-6700, ext. 223.

'KID POWER' — conference for middle schoolers hosted by Prevention Links. Topics include abstinence, diversity, sexual health and responsibility, steroids, and peer pressure problem solving, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. The Westwood, Garwood. \$15; meals included. Register by Sept. 23. (732) 381-4100.

QUILT SHOW — the Garden State Quilters show off their work, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; continues same time Oct. 1. \$8, kids 12 and under free. Westfield Armory, 500 Rahway Ave. (908) 526-2297.

SATURDAY
OCT. 1

FANNY WOOD DAY — the weekend celebration begins 3 p.m. Oct. 1 at the north side train station park with the free concert by The Fabulous Greaseband.

COLLEGE PLANNING PROGRAM — first event of its kind hosted by the College Woman's

Club of Westfield, 9:30-noon Oct. 1. \$40. Tickets are on sale at the Town Book Store. For more, visit www.WestfieldToday.com/twc.

CONSIGNMENT SALE — hosted by the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey, 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 1. Trinity Episcopal Church, North and Forest avenues, Cranford. (908) 561-1751.

FINE ART AND CRAFT SHOW — 18th annual show at Nomahegan Park in Cranford, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. (908) 874-5247 or www.rosesquared.com.

'CARMEN' — an opera-in-concert performance kicks off the season for the Westfield Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. The Presbyterian Church in Westfield, 140 Mountain Ave.

TOWN-WIDE GARAGE SALE — homes throughout Cranford will participate in this program, sponsored by Project Home. More than 225 sites will be participating, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call (908) 276-3530 or email PHCranford@aol.com.

THANK GOD IT'S FALL FESTIVAL — first annual event sponsored by several local real estate organizations, 1-4 p.m. Mindowaskin Park, Westfield. Free. (908) 595-9948.

SUNDAY
OCT. 2

FANNY WOOD DAY — weekend celebration continues; family fun festival begins at noon at South and Martine avenues and continues throughout the afternoon.

FINE ART AND CRAFT SHOW — 18th annual show at Nomahegan Park in Cranford, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. (908) 874-5247 or www.rosesquared.com.

BIKE FOR LIFE — three bike rides to raise funds for shelters that assist women facing difficult pregnancies. Holy Trinity School, Watterson St., Westfield. Day

begins at 8:30 a.m. Oct. 2, concludes with block party at noon. To register, visit www.bike-for-life.org.

18th CENTURY FEAR FACTOR FOODS — a special program at the Miller-Cory House Museum, 2-4 p.m. 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield. \$2 for adults, 50 cents for students; children under 6 are admitted free.

HONORING REV. PORTER — The Rev. Kelmo C. Porter of St. John's Baptist Church celebrates 39 years in the ministry. Services at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. 2387 Morse Ave., Scotch Plains. (908) 232-6972.

MONDAY
OCT. 3

OPEN HOUSE — see what's on offer at the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey, 9:30 a.m. Trinity Episcopal Church, North and Forest avenues, Cranford. (908) 561-1751.

THEATER AUDITIONS — the CDC Theatre is casting for its production of *Charlotte's Web*, 2 p.m. 78 Winans Ave., Cranford. Actors age 12 and up are sought; the play will be presented Dec. 2-4. Bring a piece of music to the audition.

WESTFIELD AARP MEETING — county clerk Joanne Rajoppi will speak about the courthouse centennial. Begins 1 p.m. Presbyterian Church Assembly Hall, corner of Broad Street and Mountain Avenue.

WEDNESDAY
OCT. 5

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT PROGRAM — for caregivers, 7 p.m. Family Resource Center, 300 North Ave., Cranford. (800) 883-1180.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT — a talk by speech pathologist Kirsten Pantelena for Mothers & More, Forest Road Park, Fanwood, 7:30 p.m. (908) 928-9841 or (908) 568-2633.

FIRST WED. LUNCHEON — the group of the Westfield

Historical Society will hear a talk by county clerk Joanne Rajoppi. Noon. B.G. Fields Restaurant, 560 Springfield Ave., Westfield. To register, call (908) 233-6360.

BLOOD DRIVE — sponsored by the Westfield/Mountainside chapter of the American Red Cross, 3-8 p.m. 321 Elm St., Westfield. (908) 232-7090. Walk-ins welcome.

THURSDAY
OCT. 6

SENIOR OUTREACH — county representatives will help local seniors complete applications for various support programs, 1:15-2:15 p.m. Garwood Seniors Room, in the firehouse, 415 South Ave. (888) 280-8226.

'VALUES AND A CAREER IN THE MEDIA' — a talk by Kary Antholis of HBO, after a screening of his film, *One Survivor Remembers*, 7:30 p.m. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 250 Gallows Hill Road, Westfield. Free. (908) 233-8533.

FRIDAY
OCT. 7

AMERICA AND AIR SUPPLY — a double bill featuring the two bands at the restored Rit Theatre in Elizabeth, 8 p.m. \$35-45, 1148 East Jersey St. (908) 351-7575.

EDISON SCHOOL CARNIVAL — third annual program at the school on Rahway Avenue in Westfield, 3:30-6 p.m. Open to the public.

BONFIRE/PEP RALLY — kickoff for the Scotch Plains Day festivities, followed by an outdoor screening of *Star Wars*, 7-8 p.m. Evergreen School ballfields.

SATURDAY
OCT. 8

HOLE-IN-ONE/MINI-GOLF EVENT — at the Hyatt Hills Golf Complex, hosted by the Girl Scouts

of Washington Rock Council, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

FLEA MARKET — sponsored by the Scotch Plains Lions Club, part of the Scotch Plains Day weekend, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Park Avenue municipal parking lot. Event continues Sunday with public recognition ceremony and a concert by The Nerds. (908) 322-6700, ext. 221.

COOKING WITH WILD PLANTS — learn what's good to eat in the wild, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Trailside Nature and Science Center, \$10 for county residents; pre-register at (908) 789-3670.

COMING UP

RALLY FOR A CURE — fundraiser for breast cancer research hosted by the Ladies' 9 Hole Group at Hyatt Hills Golf Course, Oct. 10. \$75. (732) 815-9535.

ALL ABOUT GREENLAND — an illustrated program led by Betty Compton for the 12 O'Clock Club at Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, Noon Oct. 11, 1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains. \$5. Register at (908) 232-5678.

WELCOME CLUB OPEN HOUSE — Westfield organization welcomes women to the community, 8 p.m. Oct. 11. For the location or more information, call (908) 654-6846.

OCTOBERFEST 2005 — fall celebration of the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council, Inc. at Camp Lou Henry Hoover in Sussex County, Oct. 14-16. \$75 for the full weekend; reduced rates for shorter stay. (908) 232-3236, ext. 1226.

SCOTCH PLAINS CLEAN-UP DAY — residents team up to clean up public lands, 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 15. (908) 322-6700, ext. 243.

TRINA HAMLIN IN CONCERT — hosted by the Coffee with Conscience series, First United Methodist Church, 1 East Broad St., Westfield, 8 p.m. Oct. 15. \$15. (908) 412-9105.

STOP THE BULLYING NOW — a meeting of the CHILD chapter of Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 20. Park Middle School, Scotch Plains. (908) 322-4020, ext. 5.

Briefs

Foundation seeks donations, volunteers

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation provides professional in-home counseling, financial and material assistance, at no charge, to New Jersey families who have a child suffering from pediatric cancer.

The Outreach Center, located in Scotch Plains, maintains a food pantry which supplies free groceries to our area families every month. The food pantry is designed to help families who have little time to shop and whose budgets are strained from their child's illness.

The pantry runs very low at this time of year and is in need of many items. Groups are needed to facilitate in running food drives to help area residents as they cope with the devastation of childhood cancer. To donate or volunteer, contact Ximena at (908) 322-4323, ext. 17.

'Fear Factor Foods' at Miller-Cory House

WESTFIELD — From 2-4 p.m. Sunday, the Miller-Cory House Museum, located at 614 Mountain Ave., will feature a program titled "18th-Century Fear Factor Foods" and presented by Melinda Mucha of Roselle Park.

Imagine a time without refrigerators and microwaves, frozen or canned foods, plastic packaging and take-out — a time when most food was foraged, hunted, home grown or raised, and when everything was consumed except "the pork." Mucha will provide a description of colonial-era food habits, as illustrated in numerous unusual and unfamiliar recipes from the 18th century. This program is ideal for children.

Guided tours of the history-rich 1740 farmhouse will also be conducted by costumed docents. Visitors will be able to ask questions about life in the West Fields of Elizabethtown during the 18th and 19th centuries. The last tour begins at 3:30 p.m.

Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students; children under 6 are admitted free.

Scotch Plains plans clean-up day Oct. 15

SCOTCH PLAINS — The township has scheduled a public lands clean-up day from 9 a.m.-noon Oct. 15. This is the day when neighborhood, family, service, school, athletic and social groups join together to pick up litter on public lands.

A picnic lunch will be held after the clean-up at noon at Alan Augustine Park, adjacent to the municipal building. Each participant will receive a free t-shirt. If interested, contact the Department of Public Property at (908) 322-6700, ext. 243.

Scotch Plains Day kicks off with bonfire

SCOTCH PLAINS — Festivities for the Scotch Plains Day celebration will begin 7-8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7 with a bonfire/pep rally at the Evergreen School ballfield. The program will feature the high school band and fall sports teams. Following the pep rally, the Recreation Department will be showing *Star Wars* on a big screen at the field.

Saturday, Oct. 8 features a flea market sponsored by the Scotch Plains Lions Club in the municipal parking lot from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. The weekend of events continues Sunday, Oct. 9 with a ceremony on the Village Green, honoring outstanding residents of the community. There will be demonstrations, entertainment including The Nerds and much more.

This event is sponsored by the Scotch Plains/Fanwood Business and Professional Association and the Recreation Commission. Call (908) 322-6700, ext. 221 for details.

Donate blood through Red Cross

WESTFIELD — The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a blood drive from 3-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Chapter House, 321 Elm St.

There will be complimentary cholesterol screening for all who donate. Walk-ins are welcome. For more information, contact the chapter at (908) 232-7090 or go to the Web site at www.westfieldmountainside-redcross.org.

All donors must present signed or picture ID and know their Social Security number. Donors should also try to eat a meal before donating.

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Community Life

Briefs

Guidance discussion will air on local TV

WESTFIELD — The role of the Westfield High School Guidance Department will be discussed on a taped segment aired on Blue Devils TV36 beginning 2 and 10 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29.

Joan Sullivan, acting director of guidance, introduced the guidance counselors at the PTSO meeting held at Westfield High School on Sept. 21.

She reviewed the goals of the guidance program and described how the program is implemented for students and parents. Parents also had the opportunity to ask questions. The meeting was taped and will be aired on Blue Devils TV for two weeks on the following schedule: 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays, 2 and 10 p.m. Thursdays, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Saturdays, 4 p.m. Sundays.

For a complete schedule of Blue Devils TV programming, check the Westfield Public Schools Web site at www.westfieldnj12.org.

'Get Real' at the Fanwood Library

FANWOOD — From Oct. 17-23, the Fanwood Memorial Library will lead the program, "Get Real @ Fanwood Memorial Library." Reading discussions, a movie night, and Dance Dance Revolution are among the activities on the schedule.

From 4-5:30 p.m. Oct. 17 students in grades six to 12 are invited to participate in Dance Dance Revolution, a musical video arcade game played on a dance pad with four arrow panels. There will be games, competitions, prizes and refreshments.

On Oct. 18, the teen group of the library will host two book discussions. From 4:30-5:15 p.m. grades six-eight will discuss *The Clique* by Lisa Harrison. From 6:15-7:15 p.m. the teen book group will discuss *When the Emperor was Divine* by Julie Otsuka. Copies of both books are available at the library or at the school library.

On Oct. 20, a pizza and movie night will be held at 5 p.m. For more information, call Nancy at (908) 322-6400.

'White Christmas' trip is planned for seniors

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Senior Advisory Committee has arranged to have participants attend White Christmas at the Fiesta Theater in Woodridge on Dec. 14. The production, presented by Rainbow Theatricals, will feature a holiday revue, Santa Claus, a sing-along, prizes and a holiday boutique for late shoppers.

The bus will leave from the rear of the municipal building on Park Avenue at 9:45 a.m. for an 11:30 a.m. seating at the theater. A choice of entrée of roast beef, broiled capon or lemon sole must be made at registration. The cost will be \$32 for residents and \$34 for non-residents. Registration will commence Oct. 10 for residents and Oct. 17 for non-residents. All registrations must be made in Room 113 of the municipal building.

Suggestions for future trips may be sent to Laura Swidersky, chairman of the committee, at (908) 889-2084.

Porter honored for many years of ministry

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Rev. Kelmo C. Porter, pastor of St. John's Baptist Church, 2387 Morse Ave., will be celebrating 39 years in the ministry on Sunday. The guest speaker at the 10 a.m. service will be his brother, the Rev. Nathaniel Porter, pastor of the Memorial Church of God in Christ, of Haverford, Pa.

The special guest speaker for the 4 p.m. service will be Bishop Donald Hilliard of Perth Amboy's Cathedral International Ministries.

Porter has been a fixture in Scotch Plains, not only as pastor of St. John's, but in many local, state and national religious and community activities. He holds a doctor of divinity degree from Trinity Hall University in Springfield, Ill. and a bachelor's and master's degree from New York University.

He married his wife, Shirley Green Porter, in 1953. They have three children, Curtis, Lance and Lisa, as well as a daughter-in-law Sharon and three grandchildren.

The community is invited to attend. For more information, call the church at (908) 232-6972.

JUST A KIDD AT HEART



Jason Kidd draws delighted looks from young fans as he accompanies first grader Angelique Allen to school Friday.

PHOTOS BY PHILIP GREENBERG

Hoops star delights students during visit to Tamaques School

By ANNA BOGDANOWICZ

THE RECORD-PRESS

WESTFIELD — First-grader Angelique Allen had the pleasure of being escorted to school Friday by a unique kind of "kid" — one that weighs in at 210 pounds; stands 6 feet, 4 inches tall; and comes complete with a limousine, a mascot, two dancers, and several black-suited escorts. This "kid" happened to be Jason Kidd, star point guard and captain of the New Jersey Nets.

Smiles, screams and kids clad in shirts bearing his name awaited Kidd as he and Angelique arrived in a black stretch limousine at Tamaques School a little after 9 a.m. It wasn't until a few minutes before Kidd's arrival that the children were told the famous basketball player would be visiting the school because Angelique's parents, Amy and Keith, won a sweepstakes contest for season ticket buyers. "Did you hear? He's coming," kids shouted to each other, unable to hold in their excitement after the announcement.

At approximately 8:30 a.m. Kidd arrived at Angelique's home, where he toured the house and presented her with a jersey. After posing for photographs and signing some autographs, the Nets star accompanied his new friend as they headed over to Tamaques School. Although Angelique was a little late to her first period class, no one at the school seemed to mind as children and parents anxiously awaited Kidd's arrival. As the door of the stretch limousine opened Sly the Fox, the team's mascot, hopped out of the vehicle and gave high-fives to the excited children.

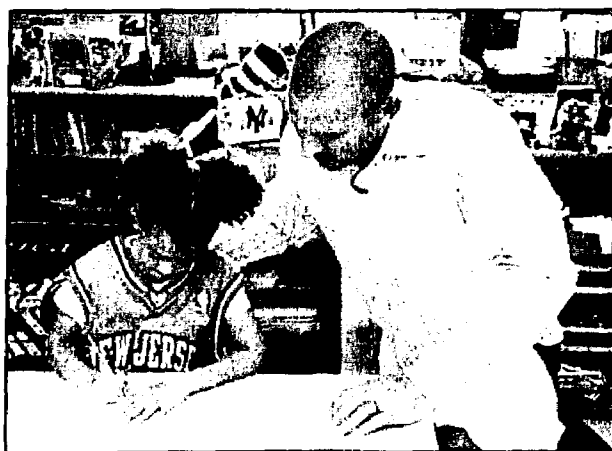
Kidd, dressed in a striped button-down shirt and jeans, quietly stepped out of the limo and took Angelique's hand as she led him inside.

In a statement released by the Nets, Kidd said, "I appreciate the opportunity to take Angelique to school. I try to take players to school on the court, but this is much more important than that."

Flashing cameras and screaming kids greeted Angelique as she led Kidd down the hall and into her first period class. Afterward, Kidd presented Principal Michael Cullen with a framed and signed jersey.

For Cullen, Friday was a day to remember at the school. "I've been here six years and this is the biggest day I've seen," he said. "It was great for him to take the time out to make a life experience."

Patty Bromberg, a mother of two Tamaques students, said she had heard the hoops star was com-



It was a busy morning, but Jason found a moment to help Angelique with her schoolwork.

"I try to take players to school on the court, but this is much more important than that."

— Jason Kidd

ing to her children's school on the radio earlier that morning. Bromberg laughed and said her children, Matthew and Samantha, were unfamiliar with Kidd's accomplishments on the court. "They didn't know who he was, so I had to explain it to them," she said. "But they were still very excited."

The sweepstakes is part of the Nets "All Access" campaign, dedicated to giving fans more access to the team, said Barry Baum, vice president of public relations for the club. "You really can't get more access than a 6-year old taking Jason Kidd to school," said Baum. "It was a very exciting day." In addition to a memorable day at school, each child received four tickets to a Nets pre-season game and a Nets T-shirt.

But all good things must come to an end, so after another slew of autographs and photographs, Kidd got back into his limousine as a group of about 30 students cheered outside. The limo drove off as students chanted Kidd's name. Just as quickly as he had come, Kidd was gone, leaving behind a lasting memory of a very special day at school for Angelique and her classmates.

Boro celebrates its birth with Fanny Wood Day

Festivities begin with Saturday concert, continue all day Sunday

FANWOOD — The borough will celebrate its 110th birthday with the 10th annual Fanny Wood Day celebration Saturday and Sunday, a weekend of music, rides, food and neighborhood competition.

The festivities begin at 3 p.m. Saturday at the north side train station park with a free concert by The Fabulous Greasband. Fanwood residents as well as individuals from surrounding communities are invited to bring their lawn chairs and blankets, snacks and beverages to enjoy an afternoon of good time and great music. In case of rain, the concert will move to the auditorium of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, located at 641 Westfield Rd. in Scotch Plains.

Starting at noon Sunday, the fun-filled festival of Fanwoodian frolickers will take over South and Martine avenues in the downtown. The celebration kicks off with the introduction of Mr. and Mrs. Fanwood and the official opening of the Classic Car Show in the south side train station parking lot. Proceeds from this event will benefit Children's Specialized Hospital.

Additional entertainment will be provided by Escape, a local Sweet Adeline's Quartet, as well as the Dierdre Shea Irish Dancers. Also, DJ Alex DiPalma will be spinning popular tunes throughout the day.

Contests will begin at 1:30 with the announcement of the winner of the annual poetry contest. A pie-eating contest for young and old alike will be held at 2, and the best beard contest

will take place at 3 p.m.

A Blood Mobile will also be on hand to collect blood donations. The borough's first responders and the Community Police Alliance will also be on hand to collect donations from anyone wishing to contribute to Hurricane Katrina relief.

Also, the Central Jersey Technical Rescue Team will be on hand Sunday. The group will be represented by members of the search and rescue squad, as well as K-9 support members. CJTRT is seeking local business and corporate sponsors to expand its equipment and communication units needed. For a complete overview visit www.cjtrt.org.

For the youngsters, there will be a variety of rides and arcade games throughout the day. The children's entertainment area will be bigger than ever before, thanks in part to sponsor Independence Bank. Activities will include the Undersea Adventure, Goofy Gator Obstacle Course, Moonwalk, Sea Bounce with the Slide Fun House and Sports Zone games.

For children who prefer less physical activities, the day will also feature pony rides, and balloon clown Oopsie Dazee will be wandering the street. There will be arcade games such as Ring Toss, Crazy Kars, Stand Up the Bee, A nominal fee will be charged to participate in the children's activities.

Vendors will have stands all along Martine and South avenues to tempt people with hot food, cold drinks and tasty desserts.

The rain date for Sunday's activities is Oct. 9. For more information, go to the borough Web site at www.visitfanwood.com.

Quilt show headed to Westfield Armory

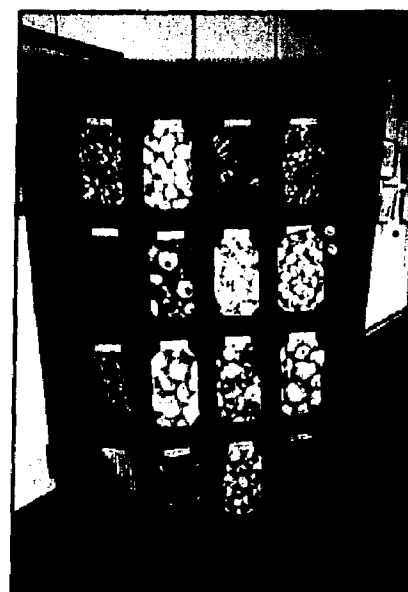
WESTFIELD — Three area residents will be among those displaying quilts at the Westfield Armory from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, as the Garden State Quilters present their 2005 Quilt Show, "Wish Upon a Star."

Quilts created by Pamala Elmendorf of Fanwood and Ginny Koleda and Gina Fawcett of Scotch Plains will be among the more than 250 judged and non-judged quilts featured in the show. The local women met in 1988 while taking a class with Elmendorf, and are among the eight members of the Monday Night Crazy Quilters. They have been meeting almost every Monday night for the past 17 years. Their quilts feature a variety of techniques including hand and machine quilting, applique, trapunto and photo transfer.

Elmendorf has been a quilt-maker for more than 60 years and submitted nine quilts. Ginny Koleda's "Harvest Delite," shown here, was inspired by her love of cooking. Fawcett, meanwhile, created "Golden Memories" as a gift to commemorate her parents' 50th wedding anniversary; it combines techniques from her two favorite hobbies, quilting and scrapbooking.

Also on display will be the show's raffle quilt, a 92-inch by 104-inch "Trip to Ireland." Raffle tickets will be available at the show, and the winner will be drawn Saturday. The quilt will also be raffling off more than 100 "Little Wishes" miniature quilts, made and donated by quilt members and friends. There will be two raffles on both Friday and Saturday. Also, at 1 p.m. Saturday, Caroline Kearney of Studio 55 will be conducting a demonstration called "Be Creative with Batik Panels."

Special exhibits will include quilts made by the Sunshine Committee for local charities and displays by local quilt



"Harvest Delite" by Ginny Koleda.

groups made in their block exchanges. There will also be challenges, round robins, and a special showing of the NJ Friends' Armory Stars quilt, hand-pieced by family members of National Guard personnel serving in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Vendors from New Jersey and New York will be selling a variety of items including antique quilts, lace, fabric, embellishments, notions, gifts, books, kits, patterns and more. Coffee, tea, water, soda and baked goods will be available for purchase in the Quilt Café.

Garden State Quilters, founded in 1981, is a non-profit quilt guild with more than 250 members from more than 100 communities in northern and central New Jersey. A portion of the show's proceeds will be donated to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Admission is \$8. Children age 12 and under are free. The Westfield Armory is located at 500 Rahway Ave. and is wheelchair and stroller accessible.

Contact Rita Owen at (908) 526-2297 or via email at rowen@optonline.net for further information.

LOC production led by tenor Snow

The Little Opera Company of New Jersey, a division of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, recently announced that renowned tenor Steven Snow has been cast in the starring role of Max in the LOC's production of Carl von Weber's *Der Freischütz*.

According to Valerie Pineda, president of the LOC, "Steven Snow was selected to portray this role because of his wealth of performance experience. He is well liked by critics and audiences alike. We are thrilled to have him debut this role of Max with the Little Opera Company."

Snow's rich and varied background includes touring the United States and Canada in the role of Juan Peron in *Evita* and as Giuseppe in David Bell's production of *Phantom*. The talented tenor has performed with many regional opera companies, including the Lyric Opera of San Antonio, Opera Delaware, Des Moines Metro Opera, the Natchez Opera Festival and the Maine Grand Opera.

A graduate of the prestigious Academy of Vocal Arts in Philadelphia, Snow has received much acclaim for his performances. A review in the *Express News* in San Antonio, Texas, praised his performance as Edgardo in the *Lucia di Lammermoor* production at the Lyric Opera of San Antonio. "Steven Snow was stylish, steady and stirring...the most credible tenor to appear hereabouts in a long time."

The *Bangor Daily News* in Bangor, Maine, extolled his role as Alfred in *Die Fledermaus* as demonstrating "MGO's (Maine Grand Opera) commitment to and triumph of both high talent and high spirits."

Of his role in *Tosca*, *The News-Journal* in Wilmington, Del. said, "Tenor Steven Snow sings a convincing Mario, whose voice never wavers during a sublime first act duet."

In *Der Freischütz*, also referred to as *The Devil's Magic Bullet*, Snow will portray the role of Max, a forester whose shooting ability has diminished. This concern about his lack of skill leads him to enter an arrangement with the deceitful Kaspar, who tells him that he



Tenor Steven Snow will debut his role as Max in the Little Opera Company of New Jersey's production of *Der Freischütz*.

"We are thrilled to have (Snow) debut this role of Max with the Little Opera Company."

— Valerie Pineda

possesses a magic bullet that can hit a shooter's desired target. Max succumbs to Kaspar's plot because he knows that the winner of the contest will become the head ranger and will win the hand of the maiden Agathe in marriage.

The LOC production, which is fully staged and will be performed in English, will be presented at 2 and 8 p.m. Oct. 15 at the Roy Smith Theater at Union County College, Springfield Avenue, Cranford. Tickets are priced at \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and \$15 for students. Special family rates are also available.

A portion of the expense has been offset by funding from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

For more information on *Der Freischütz*, visit the NJWA office at 150-152 East Broad St., Westfield, or phone (908) 789-9696. Additional information on all NJWA programs is available on the Web at www.njworkshopforthearts.com.



Show keeps sparkling at UCC

Music from a *Sparkling Planet*, the comedy by Douglas Carter Beane, opened at The Theater Project at Union County College on Sept. 22 and continues 8 p.m. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays and 3 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 9. General admission is \$20. On Thursdays, tickets are \$12, and student tickets are always \$10. Pictured above are Liz Zazzi as "Tamara Tomorrow" and Gary Glor as her producer, part-time boyfriend and occasional side kick. Also in the show are Clark Carmichael, Jesse Jou and Jeff Maschi. Reservations are recommended and can be made at (908) 659-5189.

Musicians welcome to join NJWA orchestra

Rehearsals begin Oct. 8 at Zion Lutheran Church in Clark

Musicians of all ages who play brass, percussion, strings or woodwind instruments can join the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Symphony Orchestra, which begins rehearsals on Oct. 8 and continues until April 29.

The Saturday afternoon program will be held from 3:30 to 5 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church on Raritan Road in Clark. Participants are required to have a least one year of ensemble playing experience and must bring their own music stand to rehearsals.

The fee for this program is \$125 for those who are enrolled as NJWA Music Studio students and \$200 for those who are non-Music Studio students.

The Symphony Orchestra will

be conducted by Janet Lyman, instructor at the Music Studio, who has both a bachelor's and master's degree from the Manhattan School of Music. A faculty member in the Tenafly school system, Lyman founded and conducts the Tenafly Symphony Orchestra.

She is also the music director at Zion Lutheran Church, where she established a brass and string ensemble. Lyman directs the hand bell choir and conducts the adult and youth chorus at Zion Lutheran.

The Symphony Orchestra is a division of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, which includes many Music Studio programs such as private vocal and instrumental instruction, the Friday Morning String

WSO begins season with *Carmen* at Presbyterian Church

The Westfield Symphony Orchestra (WSO) will open its 2005-2006 season with the inaugural Joseph DeAlessandro Memorial Opera Concert, an opera-in-concert performance of Bizet masterpiece *Carmen* at 8 p.m. Saturday at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield, 140 Mountain Ave.

The Westfield Symphony Orchestra and the singers of the New York City Opera and Princeton Pro Musica have come together in a new and unique collaborative residency, significantly affecting the cultural community of Central New Jersey and creating one of the more high profile arts events in New Jersey's 2005-2006 calendar.

Carmen, the world's most famous opera, will be presented to an audience of more than 5,000. WSO's annual opera-in-concert has already developed a state-wide reputation of professional excellence, attracting the largest crowds of the season. Now the stars of New York City Opera and Princeton's highly accomplished chorus

will further enhance this event. The program's stars include Audrey Babcock, Richard Cox, Michael Chodí, Eric Jordan, Brian Mulligan, Torrance Blaisdell, Scott Hogsd, Shannah Timms and Kirstin Rothfus.

Carmen is arguably the most recognized of all classical music pieces — it has been made into a movie, its music is universally recognized and

used in commercials and movies, and it appears in arrangements for an infinite number of musical ensembles. The exotic story, mixing love, rebellion, bull fighting and

murder, make it a sensation. Concert tickets are \$25 to \$60, with discounts for students and senior citizens.

Tickets may be purchased directly from the WSO at (908) 232-9400 or at one of the following ticket outlets: Lancaster, Ltd. (76 Elm St., Westfield); Town Book Store (255 East Broad St., Westfield); Martin Jewelers (12 North Ave. West, Cranford); and Beautiful Things (1878 East Second St., Scotch Plains).

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Janet Lyman conducts the 2004-2005 NJWA Symphony Orchestra members in their final concert.

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For information on the Symphony Orchestra or any

NJWA program, visit the office at 150-152 East Broad St. in Westfield or phone 908-789-9696. Further information is available on the Web at www.njworkshopforthearts.com.

Holy Trinity will host film screening, discussion

Kary Antholis, senior vice president of HBO Films and Miniseries, will host a screening of the film *One Survivor Remembers* at a special event Oct. 6 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Westfield.

Antholis produced and directed the film, which won an Oscar and a Primetime Emmy in 1996 and two CableACE awards in 1995.

After the screening he will discuss "Values and a Career in the Media" at 7:30 p.m., at the church's Bouras Center, located at 250 Gallows Hill Rd. The evening is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. For information, call (908) 233-8533.

Antholis is responsible for

overseeing the development and production of original films and miniseries for HBO, and was the program executive on the Emmy-winning films *Angels in America*, *The Gathering Storm*, *My House in Umbria* and *Wit*. He acted as program executive on award winning documentaries such as *Educating Peter*, *The Broadcast Tapes of Dr. Peter and Gang War: Bangin' in Little Rock*. He was consultant on the Emmy winning miniseries *From the Earth to the Moon*.

Before starting his television career, Antholis practiced law and taught history. He is a member of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, the Writers Guild of America and the New York, New Jersey and District of Columbia Bar Associations.

Vendors sought for Octoberfest in Kenilworth

The Pride in Kenilworth Committee welcomes crafters and vendors to sign up for this year's Kenilworth Octoberfest, which will be held on the Boulevard from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 9. The rain date is Oct. 16.

Vendors and crafters are asked to call (908) 276-3371 to register for this popular, fun-filled event which includes games, rides, a carnival atmosphere, food and refreshments, plus more. Proceeds from this event will go to Kenilworth's annual Fourth of July fireworks show and holiday extravaganza.

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Blues songwriter Hamlin to perform in 'Coffee' series

The New York City-based pop-blues artist Trina Hamlin will join the Coffee with Conscience Concert Series with an Oct. 15 performance at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 East Broad St.

Doors will open at 7:30 p.m., and the concert begins at 8. Admission is \$15. All net proceeds from the concert will be donated to the Central Jersey Chapter of the Names Project, also known as the AIDS Quilt.

Reservations are strongly encouraged for this concert, and can be made by calling the concert hotline at (908) 412-9105 or e-mailing concerts4causes@aol.com.

Hamlin is known for her sizzling blues harmonica and her energy-packed singing and guitar work. Her pure voice and powerful presence have gained her a steady national following since she began playing solo shows in the downtown New York City club scene.

Originally from Minneapolis, Hamlin attended Berklee College of Music in Boston and graduated with a degree in professional music, after which she moved to New York City and began performing and honing her songwriting skills. She was chosen as "Most Wanted New Artist" at the Falcon Ridge Folk Festival, and as an alumnus of the Newport Folk Festival, she performed to sold-out crowds along with the likes of Ani DiFranco, Dar Williams and the Indigo Girls.

She has performed with "The Suits" on *The Late Show with Conan O'Brien* and her music has been heard in the CBS-TV

movie *Friends at Last*, starring Kathleen Turner as well as on the WB's *Dawson's Creek*.

Hamlin has joked that even if the blues did not originate in her native Minnesota, there must be "something in the water" there that causes that blues tradition to run deep. These days, live and on record, she can be found accompanying herself on guitar, harmonica, and piano. She is currently in LA working on a new CD to be released this fall.

The Coffee with Conscience Concert Series is a ten-show series running from September through June at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield. This season, the concerts are being recorded for broadcast by Westfield's TV-36. Residents of Westfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood and Mountainside can catch each month's concert at 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Fridays and at 7 p.m. Sundays.

The series supports the following charities: The Eric Johnson House in Morristown, the Interfaith Council for the Homeless, the Names Project, Habitat for Humanity and the Community Food Bank of NJ. Each concert benefits one of these charities.

The series is made possible in part by a generous grant from the Westfield Service League and other private donations, which are enthusiastically encouraged. A Season Sampler CD is also available for \$13 by sending an e-mail to the address below.

For more information, send an e-mail to concerts4causes@aol.com or visit www.coffeewithconscience.com.



Among the works on exhibit this weekend will be this large stained-glass panel by Pat Falvus of Glendale, N.Y.

Arts and crafts show opens this Saturday

The 18th annual Fall Fine Art and Crafts at Nomahegan Park show will take place Saturday and Sunday in Cranford, across from Union County College.

The show will feature many new artists and crafters from throughout the Northeast and beyond, displaying and selling their American-made, hand-crafted work. This free show will be open from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. rain or shine.

The show is co-sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation, and Janet and Howard Rose of Rose Squared Productions, Inc.

The participants will include veteran exhibitor Jeannette Mullarkey-Karasick, owner and designer at Finestra, who has been creating fine jewelry for over 15 years. Also a painter and sculptor, she creates designs by carving the original models in jeweler's wax, then molding and casting them into metal using the technique of lost wax casting.

"My mission as a jewelry designer is to realize sculptural, visually dynamic work, which is both wearable and finely crafted," said Karasick. "Each piece I create is carefully considered and made with a generous quantity of gold or silver. Jewelry, unlike most adornments, retains a lasting value due to the beauty and durability of the materials from which it is made. Another important value jewelry has is its ability to serve as a tool for self-expression and as a symbol of emotional connection. It is because of my respect for this ability that I enjoy creating in this medium."

Two new out-of-state jewelry artists will also be participating in this fall's show: Isabelle Davidowitz and Paul Albritton. The Isabelle Collection is comprised of kiln-formed glass rocks created as a unique piece of art. Through a multiple stage process, Isabelle creates a one-of-a-kind pendant.

Albritton, who began his professional artistic career in San Diego, Calif., had his first showing in 1983 in woodworking and musical-instrument building. In the following years, he won awards in fine art, sculpture, woodworking and jewelry. Though Albritton still dabbles in the arts, he has made jewelry his primary focus and never tires of going into the workshop to create his "wearable mini-sculptures."

The Fall Fine Art and Crafts at Nomahegan Park Show will feature fine art, photography, weaving, clothing, pottery, wood, fiber, leather, stained glass, and much more. The show will be accented with live music by the Barley Boys Band and a variety of ethnic foods.

For further information, call (908) 874-5247 or visit www.rosesquared.com.

Kean film festival to include screening of HBO's *Strip Search*

Premiere Stages, the professional Actors' Equity Association (AEA) theater program at Kean University, has announced the establishment of the Purple Violet Film Festival. The festival will include a special screening of the HBO film *Strip Search*, written by Tom Fontana and directed by Sidney Lumet.

The festival spans from Oct. 7-9, and the *Strip Search* showing will take place will be at 8 p.m. Oct. 8. It will be followed by a question and answer session with featured guest Fontana, who has written and produced a groundbreaking television series, such as *St. Elsewhere*, *Homicide: Life on the Street* and *Oz*.

Strip Search stars Glenn Close and Maggie Gyllenhaal and explores questions of individual rights, liberty, crime and punishment in a contemporary environment in which people are consumed by concerns of security and public safety. Weaving together several stories in which people are persecuted and detained for their thoughts and ideas, *Strip Search* delves into a new environment of an affected nation after the attacks of Sept. 11.

The film was screened at the Amnesty International Annual Gala this year, where Fontana was given Amnesty's 2005 Excellence in Filmmaking award. He has also earned three Emmy Awards, four Peabody Awards, three Writers' Guild Awards, four Television Critics Association Awards, the Cable Ace Award, the Humanitas

Prize and the first prize at the Cinema Tout Ecran Festival in France.

Fontana has written for *The New York Times*, *TV Guide*, and *Esquire* and has taught at Columbia University, Syracuse University, Rutgers and the State University College at Buffalo, his alma mater. He has had numerous plays produced both regionally and in New York and is a member of the Dramatists Guild, the Producers Guild of America and the WGA East, from which he received the Evelyn F. Burkey Award for lifetime achievement.

Each evening of the Purple Violet Film Festival will begin at 7 p.m. in the University Center Little Theatre, located on the main campus at 1000 Morris Ave., Union. Inspired by Kean President Dawood Farabi's commitment to serve as the cultural hub for the region, the festival is produced in partnership with the university's Department of Media & Film and provides professional and student filmmakers with an opportunity to have their work seen and embraced by a large audience.

Tickets to the screenings are \$10 per day; special group rates are available. To order tickets, call the Wilkins Theatre box office at (908) 737-SHOW (7469) or visit www.kean.edu/premier-stagesonline.

Premiere Stages is produced in part with support from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts and the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation.

Green Thumb Club plans three bus trips

The Green Thumb Garden Club of Cranford currently has three bus tours on its agenda. The club has made an effort to keep the tours at a reasonable price so that all may enjoy some of the beautiful gardens of the Northeast. All tours are open to the public.

There are only a few seats left on the Mohonk Revisited Tour Oct. 16. There are few places on earth more beautiful than Mohonk Mountain House, especially in the fall. The group will be treated to a kitchen tour followed by a banquet size lunch. Participants will have time on their own to roam the beauty of Mohonk Lake and mountains or spend time in the Mountain House. Gift shops, an old-fashioned soda fountain, gardens, horse and buggy rides, boating, golfing, and horseback riding are some of the things offered at the American castle. Before departure, there will be snack of lemonade and cookies. The tour cost is \$75; the bus departs at 10 a.m. and returns at 4 p.m.

Later in the month, Van Cortland Manor in Croton-on-the-Hudson, N.Y. will provide a hauntingly memorable trip with 3,000 Jack-O'Lanterns lighting up the night. A half-million pounds of pumpkins are scheduled to descend on Van Cortland Oct. 21. Jack O'Lanterns in the Croton River and in the trees, as well as the Jack O'Lantern aquarium and the scarecrow avalanche

will delight the child in all onlookers. Scary Halloween music and a gift shop will complete the fun as a precursor to All Hallow's Eve. This fall evening at Van Cortland, located not far from Sleepy Hollow and the home of the Headless Horseman, could prove chillingly dangerous. Refreshments will be available. The tour cost is \$34. The group will leave at 4:30 p.m. and return at approximately 9 p.m. Time is short to reserve a seat; the cutoff date is Oct. 5.

Finally, Boscobel, the Federal mansion on the Hudson in Garrison, N.Y. will usher in the Christmas holidays in grand style with a candlelight tour on Dec. 16. Boscobel has long been a tradition for the holidays. Fresh flowers and greenery adorn the rooms lit by candlelight. A roaring fire, music and a table laden with a Wassail bowl and refreshments will rekindle the spirit of the Christmas season. The cost is \$34. The bus leaves at 4:30 p.m. and returns around 8:30 p.m.

No meal break is scheduled for either Van Cortland or Boscobel. It is suggested that participants eat something substantial before they leave.

All tours leave from the Orange Avenue Pool (not school) in Cranford. Call Geri Livelli for reservations at (908) 276-5077. Make checks payable to: Green Thumb Garden Club, c/o Geri Livelli, 12 Oak Lane, Cranford, NJ 07016.

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Ecumenical Training Event is set for Oct. 22

SUMMIT — The annual Ecumenical Training Event will take place Oct. 22 in a new location, Christ Church, 561 Springfield Ave. in Summit. A bagel breakfast will begin at 8:30 a.m. and each participant may register for two hour-and-a-half workshops, one at 9:30 a.m. and the second at 11:15 a.m.

The Rev. Rebecca Laird, associate pastor for spiritual development at Central Presbyterian Church in Summit, will open the session at 9 a.m. by speaking on "Formed in Faith Together: The Community Side of Spiritual Formation." Registration choices can be made from 12 workshops. Laird will lead a group on "walking the labyrinth," using the newly-created labyrinth at Christ Church.

Two new workshops for teens will deal with common sense help for babysitting and for child care within the church community. A very successful program offered within the Roman Catholic diocese, "Protecting Our Children," will be a full three-hour class. How to keep leaders within the church community nurtured and renewed will be outlined by the Rev. Patricia Eustis, rector of Trinity Church in Cranford. Barbara Ellsworth of the First United Methodist Church in Westfield, will share

Thanksgiving and Advent arts and crafts projects for younger and middle elementary children.

Rotation models will be explored by the Rev. Wendi Werner, director of family ministries at the Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church. The possibilities for curriculum choices will be detailed by Nancy Miller, lay preacher and teacher at Trinity Church in Cranford. Paul Somers, publisher of *Classical New Jersey*, will lead a workshop on "Creating Musical Settings" for various liturgical uses. The Rev. Kaileen Alston, youth ministry director of the Episcopal Diocese of Newark, will help teachers and leaders of youth look at what youth are being taught and what is being learned. Preparation for summer programming and fun will be under the direction of Donna Devlin of Christ Church, Shrewsbury.

The registration fee is \$14 and should be sent to Judy Hopkins, 485 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, NJ 08854. Child care is available by reservation for \$5 per child.

The brochure and registration forms, as well as directions to Christ Church, can be downloaded from the Web site, ceworkshops.netfirms.com. For further information contact Norma M. Hockenjos at NHockenjos@aol.com.



Coats on sale soon at Service League

The Westfield Service League will be selling coats beginning Oct. 6. Pictured above modeling some of the merchandise are Sue Crawford, Ingrid McKinley, and Janice Austin, volunteers of the league. The Service League is located at 114 Elmer St., Westfield.

Osborn House to open Sunday

SCOTCH PLAINS — The circa 1760 Osborn Cannonball House, located at 1840 Front St., will be open to visitors from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2.

There will be a preview showing of "Playtime in Centuries Past" featuring children's toys and clothing of years gone by.

This exhibit will be displayed during the annual Union County "Four Centuries in a Weekend" celebration on Saturday, Oct. 15 and Sunday, Oct. 16.

Costumed docents will be available to give tours of the museum and gardens. There is no admission fee.

Registration open for Scouts' Octoberfest

Thinking about getting away for a lovely fall weekend in the country — a little exercise, some crafts, some enrichment, or an exhilarating hike in the woods? If so, you may be able to find what you're looking for with Octoberfest 2005, an adult women's weekend sponsored by the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council, from Oct. 14-16 at Camp Lou Henry Hoover on Swartswood Lake in Sussex County.

Participants may come for the entire weekend or just the day. You don't even have to be a Girl Scout, and you won't have to cook either.

Each participant may select four sessions from around 24 scheduled workshops designed to bring you back to your playground days. If you like to exercise or want to learn a type of exercise, there is Yoga, Pilates, canoeing or self-guided nature hikes on trails throughout the camp. Crafts include scrapbooking, stamping, soap making, basket weaving, silk screening or floral design. There is also a workshop on cooking without a fire or making delicious treats for everyone in camp to enjoy before dinner on Saturday.

You can do as much as you

want or bring that book you never got around to reading this summer and set up a lounge chair on the sandy beach of Swartswood Lake or on a peaceful, nearby knoll.

On Saturday there will be times throughout the day to fit in chair massages and/or a manicure. Chair massages can be scheduled in increments of 10 minutes for \$10. Manicures will also be available for \$10.

Weekend fees range from \$75 for the entire weekend to \$60 for a one night stay or \$45 for the day. Meals, workshops and a patch are included. Long sleeved shirts with the event logo may be ordered for \$20.

Contact the Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council, at 201 Grove St. East in Westfield; call (908) 232-2336, ext. 1226; or email dhooker@gswrc.com for more information and the weekend packet with registration forms and detailed workshop explanations. Or, go online at www.westfield.nj/girlscouts. The deadline for reservations is Oct. 1.

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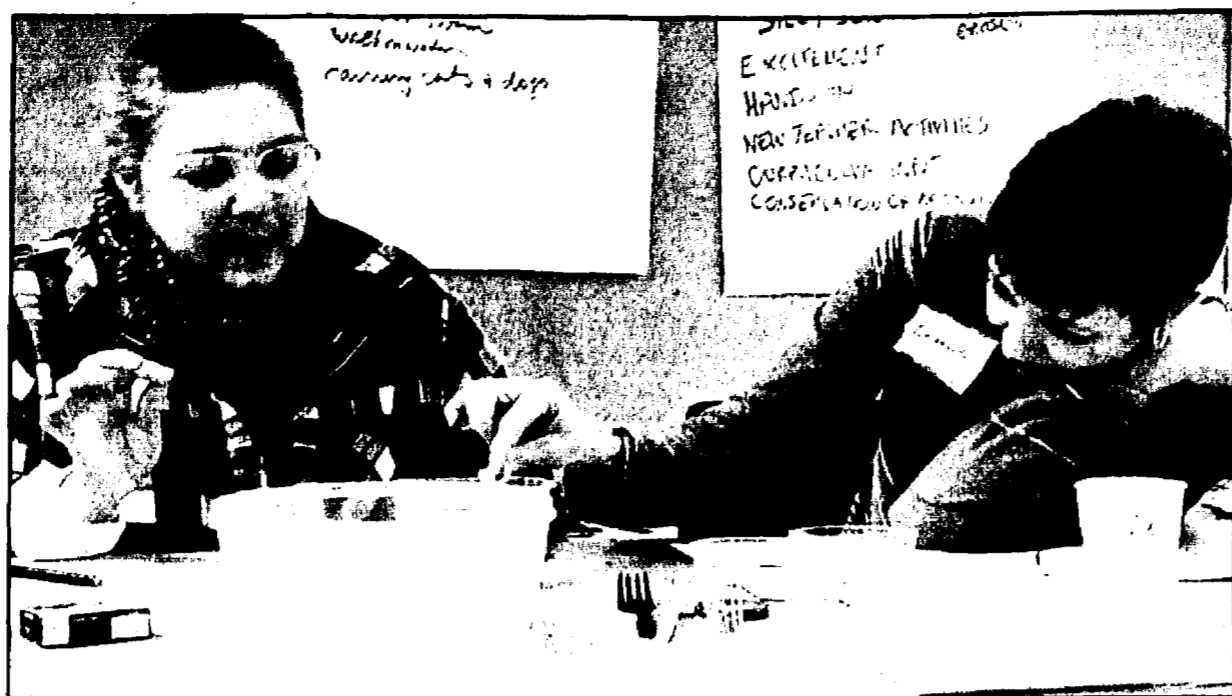
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Trailside will host teacher training workshop

MOUNTAINSIDE — The Union County Board of Freeholders will present Project WET, a teacher training workshop for adults ages 18 and older, at Trailside Nature and Science Center from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6.

Water is often taken for granted. This workshop provides the necessary tools, resources and lessons for teachers to utilize in the classroom to teach future leaders about the importance of water in everyday life.

More than 90 interdisciplinary activities and lessons, teacher-tested and classroom ready for K-12 students, are included in the Project WET curriculum and activity guide.



Marjorie Williams of Verona and Bernadette Hoyer of Fanwood test the properties of water during the "Water Olympics," one of the many activities conducted at a Project WET workshop hosted by Trailside Nature and Science Center last spring. Trailside is offering a second Project WET teacher training workshop from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 6. For information on this workshop or for a complete listing of adult and family workshops offered this autumn, call Trailside at (908) 789-3670.

Lessons in the guide are correlated to New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

Pre-registration is required and the fee for this program is \$25 per person. The fee includes Project WET's curriculum and activity guide.

riculum and activity guide. Light refreshments will be served during morning registration. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch.

Interested participants should call Trailside for a special registration form. For

additional information on Project WET or for information on upcoming spring or summer programs and special events at Trailside, call (908) 789-3670.

Trailside Nature and Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Rd.

Westfield Area AARP to meet next Monday

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area AARP Chapter 4137 will hold its next meeting Monday at the Presbyterian Church Assembly Hall on the corner of Broad Street and Mountain Avenue. Guests and new members are invited.

The social period with refreshments will begin at 1 p.m. and a brief business meeting will be held later.

The guest speaker will be Union County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi. She will discuss this year's 100th anniversary celebration of the Union County Courthouse, now in progress. Explanations of the building's history and the exhibits now on display will be reviewed.

Community Service Chairman Skeets Kuzmuk has requested donations by members of canned and boxed grocery items to be given to homeless and needy adults and children. The knitting and crocheting group would like to have donations of wool of any kind or color with which to make scarves, hats, shrugs, and lap robes for patients at hospitals and nursing homes.

A day trip to celebrate Octoberfest complete with entertainment featuring songs, dances, and a comedian at the Brownstone has been arranged by Katie Menzer. There will be an hour for

free drinks followed by a German-style luncheon. The date is Oct. 27 and the cost is \$55 per person, which will include a bus ride and gratuities. The bus will leave from the Lord & Taylor parking lot at 10 a.m. and return in the late afternoon. For information, call (908) 232-1362.

Trips and Tours Chairman Marie Walsh has planned a seven-day trip, "Christmas in Nashville & Gatlinburg," with a stay at the Opryland Hotel from Nov. 15-21. Included is a luncheon cruise, the Dixie Stampede Dinner Show, guided tours of Nashville and the Smoky Mountains, Dollywood Theme Park, and more. The cost is \$879, double occupancy. Most meals and gratuities are included. Reservations will be available at Monday's meeting or by calling Marie Walsh at (732) 669-0399 or Mary Walsh at (908) 276-3576.

Members and guests can make reservations at the meeting for holiday luncheon at the Westwood in Garwood at noon Dec. 5, which includes international buffet, dessert, beverages and music. For details call Luncheon Chairman Marie Stock at (908) 925-2536.

For membership information and dues payments, call Joseph Stauder at (908) 889-6769.

Senior CITIZEN

Seniors can get advice on assistance programs

The Union County Division on Aging in the Department of Human Services will bring its Outreach Services Program for Senior Citizens to 11 locations in October.

The Outreach Services Program offers senior citizens information and help with applications for a variety of important government assistance programs.

"The Union County Freeholders encourage elderly, isolated individuals from throughout the county who meet eligibility requirements to apply for vital services through our outreach program," said Freeholder Chairman Rick Proctor. "These services can supplement the basic needs of the isolated elderly and sustain or improve their lives."

Union County representatives will be available to help residents complete the necessary applications for a number of programs, including gas and electric support (LIFE LINE), pharmaceutical assistance (PAAD), and home energy assistance (HEAP).

There will also be screening for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) eligibility, and information about the Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP).

Social Security Administration

representatives will also accompany Union County Division on Aging staff members to several sites during October to inform people about the Social Security low income subsidy for the Medicare Part D prescription drug program.

The Outreach Services Program will visit central Union County on Oct. 6, when the representatives come to the Garwood firehouse at 415 South Ave., Garwood from 1:15-2:15 p.m. A Social Security representative will not be present at this program.

Social Security representatives will be present at several programs in Elizabeth, including: 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Oct. 4 at Union Baptist Church, 1088 East Grand St.; 10 a.m.-noon Oct. 11 at Sampson Senior Center, 800 Anna St.; 2:30-3:30 p.m. Oct. 13 at Liberty Square Senior Center, 240 Elizabeth Ave.; 1-2 p.m. Oct. 2 at Elizabeth Center Apartments, 815 Pearl St.; and noon-1 p.m. Oct. 21 at Elizabeth Towers Apartments, 315 West Grand St.

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

SAGE offers a program on memory enhancement

SUMMIT — Are you misplacing your keys more often? Do you want to improve your ability to recall the names and faces of people you meet? Retrieve the word you are looking for while in the middle of a conversation? Remember the directions to an unfamiliar location?

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The group is the first of its kind in the Union County and is a collaborative effort between SAGE Eldercare and the Greater New Jersey Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association.

For more information, call Cori Brandon, LSW at (908) 598-5516 to register and learn more about the upcoming dates and topics. This free program is open to all seniors and will include lunch.

SAGE Eldercare serves as a major community resource in the establishment and delivery of innovative services for older adults and their caregivers. These services allow the elderly to remain independent and living in their own homes. Presently SAGE Eldercare programs include HomeCare, Meals-on-Wheels, SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) of Union County, bill paying, a shopping service, InfoCare and the Spend-A-Day Adult Day Health Center.

State approves hospice grant

On Sept. 20, the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority approved the Center for Hope Hospice's \$1.5 million grant request.

The center's goal was to secure funds for the construction of Hope Village, a 30-bed residential hospice facility in Scotch Plains. The Center for Hope is working to provide innovative and easy access to health care for the terminally ill in the state.

The center has two existing

residences that are operating at capacity. Sadly, because of limited space, the center is forced to turn away hundreds of applicants every year.

Assemblyman Jon Bramnick, a Union County Republican, and Joe Cryan, a Union County Democrat, spoke at a Sept. 16 public hearing on behalf of the grant request. Bramnick was able to speak from personal experiences with the center in his testimony.



From left are Barbara McMahon; Rosaleen Appenzoller; Herb Appenzoller; Joseph W. Sharp, hospital administrator; Joan Confort, Watchung; Linda Stender, coordinator of volunteer services; Bette Jane Kowalski, county liaison to the Runnells Board of Managers; Jim Picozzi, Summit; Pat DiFabio, Garwood; and Len Forgiome, New Providence.

County board honors volunteers at Runnells

Recently, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders issued a resolution in recognition of the work of Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County's Volunteer Guild.

This resolution honored the group for outstanding contributions that have aided Union County in operating the facility. In particular, the Guild was commended for its fundraising during 2004. Through the Guided Cage coffee and gift shops, as well as vendor sales and raffles, they raised over \$34,000. All of the funds raised by the organization are used to benefit the residents and patients of the facility. The funds are used for birthday and holiday gifts, special programs and entertainment, out-trips, flowers and supplies.

Volunteer Guild members attending the presentation were: Leonard Forgiome of New Providence, Volunteer Guild president; Mary Ann Kelhoffer of Martinsville, vice president; Rosaleen Appenzoller of Martinsville, secretary; and Barbara McMahon of New Providence, treasurer; as well

as Joan Confort of Watchung, Silvia DeBrito of Watchung, Pat DiFabio of Garwood, Herb Appenzoller of Garwood, Eileen Lieder of New Providence, James Picozzi of Summit; and Sharon Thomas of Martinsville.

"I want to congratulate, commend, and thank this hard working group for their outstanding services and contributions to the residents and patients at Runnells," said Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, liaison to the facility.

If you are interested in assisting the Guild's fundraising efforts or in volunteering at Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County, opportunities are available. Anyone who would like further information should call the Office of Volunteer Services at (908) 771-5847.

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Sports

Russ's Ravings



Positive parents position players for success

One of the greatest things about my job is that besides the two 13 hour days I am locked in the office putting the sports sections together, I am out in the community interacting with you all. In doing so, I get to experience a lot of really great things I would otherwise miss if I was in here on the phone. One of them is the great parental support I have seen in this area for kids in high school sports.

Last week I went out to see the Cranford girls soccer team play on a hot Friday afternoon at the Walnut Avenue school. The Cougars looked good against Timothy Christian, winning handily by a 5-0 score. What impressed me about the game was the level of support and commitment by the girls' parents who were there. The sidelines were full up with the families of the Cougar girls and they were there to give their all in support of the team.

Many of the parents had set up lawn chairs, several of the dads had taken up spots with digital cameras, snapping pictures of their daughters and their daughter's teammates. But the image that stuck out in my mind was that of the father, still in the suit and tie, hustling to the game straight from work.

Growing up, I was involved in many sports and activities. I played soccer, basketball and football. I took karate, did shows at community theaters and in my school and I was always fortunate to have my parents behind me. My father was, and remains, the kind of man who works a minimum of 12 hours a day. And I have an image in my mind so clear or him arriving to my games, straight from work with his tie folded in his pocket and the top two buttons of his starched white shirt open at the top.

He never missed a game. Sure, he missed parts of dozens of them, but he was always there. And yes, my mother was there too. As a nurse who worked the night shift she would be there, bleary eyes if necessary, especially if it was her turn to bring the oranges to halftime. Now, almost a decade since taking the field for the last time I can still remember the rush I would feel when I would see my father enter the back of the gym. Or when my mother would try to compliment me on a game she didn't understand at all.

To her credit, baseball is her game of choice and I never played it. But we attend Yankee games together regularly and argue almost nightly about who should be in the rotation and when. And we both team up on her against my Grandmother, a Yankee fan since 1920 who loves Jason Giambi of all people. But that is another column. Or therapy session, depending on your view.

When I attended the Westfield football game at Scotch Plains, I saw more supportive parents on both sides of the field. During the first half, the Westfield parents were as ecstatic as the players on the sidelines. The energy coming off them was tangible, and rivaled the heat from the sun beating down on the field. Even after Scotch Plains mounted a comeback, the Westfield parents in the stands never stopped cheering. That is something really special. And when Scotch Plains headed to the locker room, down 12-0 at the half, the SP-F parents were there with nothing but support. And when the game was over, both sidelines had players, fans and communities to be proud of.

I remember so clearly sitting with my parents in the car after my basketball team had completed an undefeated season and feeling the same way I did after my football team eked out one win. They were proud of me. And they were there every step of the way. And truly, I was a champion each and every time I climbed into the car after a game.

So, thanks dad. And mom? Janet Wright should stay in the rotation.

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Raider quarterback Colin Weber gets good blocking from Greg Brand, allowing him to fire a strike in Scotch Plains 19-21 loss in Scotch Plains on Saturday.

Raiders edged by Irvington 21-19

Weber and Rowbotham continue to connect; Strong finds the end-zone again

By RUSS CRESPOLINI
SPORTS EDITOR

The Raiders were handed their first gridiron loss last weekend at home against an aggressive Irvington squad in a battle of the unbeaten in Scotch Plains. Both teams couldn't seem to get out of their own way for much of the game, with numerous penalties that killed their own drives before any momentum could be built up.

"I still think we're making dumb mistakes sometimes," said Raider coach Steve Ciccotelli. "We have to quit shooting ourselves in the foot."

Irvington moved the ball well between penalties and might have scored on the opening drive if Scotch Plains' Jason Zelesnik hadn't come up with a big interception. But before the offense could find a groove, the Raiders fumbled the ball away. "We put the ball on the ground way too many times today," quarterback Colin Weber said. "And messed up on the little things."

Despite strong defensive play by Raider Nick Gianacci, Irvington found the end-zone before the half and took a 6-0 lead after failing to convert the extra point. After two weeks of come from behind victories, it was almost expected that Scotch Plains would change their fortune at the start of the second half. However, on the first drive of the third quarter, the Raiders lost the ball again and Irvington's Osualdo Berjulet hit Wayne Gravesande with a scoring pass and subsequent conversion to post a 14-0 lead.

"I think at times some of the

plays we didn't line up right, we didn't get into the right checks," Ciccotelli said of his defense. "Defense is alignment, technique and toughness and if you're not aligned right you can't use your technique or your toughness. And there were a couple of times we weren't aligned right, which we just got to make sure that gets right. We got to take the blame on that."

It was gut check time for the Raiders, who went out to close the gap on offense. Weber set and seared a 74-yard scoring pass to Kyle Rowbotham to pull the Raiders to 14-6. "Web's going to be good. We got him doing some things he is comfortable with," Ciccotelli said. "We're confident with him. He's doing very well, I am very pleased with him and he is only going to get better and Rowbotham's only going to get better."

Weber was quick to share credit for his success. "I feel pretty comfortable with both of our running backs and receivers. We have a couple of young receivers but they good and both of our running backs run hard," Weber said. "Our linemen stepped it up today. They were really opening things up and gave me a lot of time."

On their next possession, Irvington's Berjulet took the air again as part of a 253 yard effort found Gravesande to extend the lead 21-6 after the extra point. The Raiders offense went to work with two successful drives that allowed Rashawn Strong to make two 1-yard runs in the fourth quarter for Scotch Plains. After splitting the

to score 10 or 12 goals."

Despite the slick conditions the coach felt his team had more in the tank. "I didn't think we played a tight game," Kapner said. "I thought we were very loose in the back, and we had too many opportunities wasted. Finishers need to learn how to finish."

That is to take nothing away from the hard play of Bayonne's boys. "Bayonne played well. I don't have anything against them but they gave us a bunch of opportunities. So, in another match we'll have one of those opportunities or two and we have to bury them," Kapner said. "And the fact that we didn't bury them today, they have to know that that's mandatory."

Kapner is pushing this crop of players because, for his part, he sees something very special in them. "I'm looking for the next step up now. I've been doing this for 30 years and I know where we have to get to win the counties. To win the states," the coach said. "I think that this team has that capability, they haven't

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Nehemiah Burney-Porter takes a piece of the field with him, as he bolts down field for the Raiders.

extra point attempts, the Raiders still trailed 19-21 late in the fourth.

"The kicking game didn't come through today," Ciccotelli said. "And we scored the same amount of touchdowns."

Despite big efforts by Greg Brand and Nehemiah Burney-Porter and even with recovering an Irvington fumble at the close of the game, the Raiders rally fell short. Despite the tough loss to a tough team, Ciccotelli is proud of his squad. "We've gotten better every game, and that is the big

thing we're talking about. Our kids played hard and we're always going to do that," Ciccotelli said. "I like this football team a lot. I like what they are doing."

Weber shares his coach's optimistic view for the season. "I feel pretty good about our team, but we're limiting ourselves with these little mistakes," Weber said. "We could very well have had this game today if we didn't have those little mistakes."

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SP-F net girls down Union C for first victory of the season

By RUSS CRESPOLINI
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After falling behind 1-0 early in the game to Union Catholic, it may have been tempting for the Raiders who had already dropped more games in this young season than all of last season to get down on themselves. Instead, Scotch Plains roared back to a 3-1 victory powered by the offense of Lisa Camarda, Kelly Rigano and Colleen LaForge.

This season started off rocky for the Raiders, who lost three and tied one. "We've had a tough time, we've played some really tough teams," assistant coach Michelle Tobier said. "We had a stacked schedule in the beginning."

Part of the teams struggles were injuries to key personnel. "We have one girl who is really a good player, freshman Rachel Cooper she is out for the season," head coach Kevin Ewing said. "Another girl has her knee drained, another girl's got mono. It all happened at the worst time."

With the injuries and difficult schedule, Ewing's team went into the Thursday afternoon contest knowing its importance. "We've had some unlucky games and we

played some tough teams, so we needed this win today," Ewing said. "It was important for the girl's confidence."

Scotch Plains looked confident during the hard fought game, working hard to maintain possession and playing tough through pain and physical play. After falling behind early, the Raiders found the back of the net to tie things at one. "We fought hard and we really needed the win today," Tobier said. "And we got it."

With fifteen minutes remaining in the game, Colleen LaForge fired and scored, putting Scotch Plains ahead and later the Raiders would pad their lead with ten minutes left to take a 3-1 lead they would ride out to the end of regulation. The game was a big boost for the girls, who despite early season difficulty have a lot of positives to look forward to this season. "Allie Hambleton and Hallie Mintz have done a good job," Tobier said. "Allie Zazalli in the back holds down sweeper for us. We've got some depth on our bench which is good, it allows us to switch things up."

A big plus for the Raiders is keeper Lauren Mains. Mains

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Raiders look to rebound against a familiar face

By RUSS CRESPOLINI
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For the first time this season, there was no last minute magic. Raider coach Steve Ciccotelli's team couldn't pull out another come from behind win and Scotch Plains suffered its first loss of the season, falling 19-21 against Irvington last Saturday. It was a game marred by penalties and turnovers on both sides. Both teams entered the contest undefeated, and Scotch Plains spent most of the game trying to play catch up, and eventually falling short and suffering their first loss.

Attending the game Saturday was Erik Rosenmeier, a familiar face to Raider fans. Rosenmeier played for coach Ciccotelli, and spent the better part of a decade on his staff as an assistant. But on Saturday, Rosenmeier was there in a Cranford football shirt, taking a look at his team's next challenge. Rosenmeier was there to help prepare his team for a big rivalry game set to light up Memorial Field this Friday night in Cranford.

The rivalry takes on a new twist this year, as Rosenmeier's new team takes the field against his former team. Despite the new wrinkle, the coach is quick to down play his role in the game. "Scotch Plains and Cranford became a big rivalry game because of the kids," Rosenmeier said. "It doesn't have anything to do with the coaches."

According to Raider coach Steve Ciccotelli, Rosenmeier's presence is missed on the sidelines. "Sure I miss him," Ciccotelli said. "He was a player of mine and a coach here."

After years of Raider dominated games, Cranford had battled back to snatch their share of victories. "For years Scotch Plains pretty much had their way," Rosenmeier said. "But the Cranford kids under Coach Hull for the last four years have split the games. Each team has won on the other team's field."

Rosenmeier isn't approaching preparation to Friday night's clash any differently than any other week, despite knowing Scotch Plains well. "I think we are in similar situations where both programs graduated a lot of players last year. Neither of us have a lot of returning starters," Rosenmeier said. "We both are adjusting our system to who we have."

Both the Raiders and the Cougars have young teams and are evenly matched. While Cranford's Chris Brown and Chad Faulcon are an offensive force, Scotch Plains has Rashawn Strong and Greg Brand filling out their backfields.

What could prove to be the most interesting match up could be the duel between quarterbacks. Cranford has senior Mark Zamorski who has been hurling gems in the first few games of the season. Zamorski is tough, athletic and has a good offensive line in front of him. The Cranford offense has suited him this season. For the Raiders, junior Colin Weber has made the transition from wide receiver to quarterback seamlessly. Weber is quick, agile and as long as he can keep zip on the ball, an excellent thrower. Weber's has good field vision and can find gaps for big yardage on keeper plays. The game may very well come down to how these two perform on offense.

Despite the history, coach Rosenmeier doesn't think it gives him an edge. "I don't think I have any insight," the Cougar coach said. "It's just like any other team."

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Westfield's Kevin Maus tries to get a foot on the ball over several Bayonne players while teammates Todd Saunders, Andy Brill, Tad Walsh and Kyle Flemming look on. The Blue Devils are 6-1 this season, with their only loss a squeaker to Scotch Plains. Westfield defeated Bayonne by 3-1.

Westfield continues comeback net season

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shown it yet. That is what we expect them to do and they have to step up."

Last year was a difficult season for the Blue Devils soccer program. After only finding the win column twice in fall of 2004 Kapner knew it was time for a change. And so change he did by shuffling around the coaching assignments of Chris Partelow and Alex Schmidt. "The definition of insanity has always been doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results," Kapner said. "So Alex and I sat down and while we have slightly different philosophies we melded it together."

Partelow and Schmidt were teammates at Westfield under Kapner and have returned to help another generation of Blue Devils succeed. "Chris Partelow played for me when Alex was a sophomore when Chris was a senior," Kapner said. "We won the state championship in Alex's senior year with him as captain and it's really cool that they've come back and want to be part of this."

Another thing that impresses Kapner is the dedication his coaches have shown. "Chris Partelow is pure volunteer, this is just a passion for him. It's a passion for Alex too," the head coach said. "It's the same passion I have except they have a 27 year old passion and I have a 55 year old passion."

Schmidt returned to the team

first, after taking a job within the school and moving back into the area. "I grabbed him and asked him to help us out and he worked with our goalkeeper and our goalkeeper made all state that year," Kapner said. "So Alex volunteered the next year, and the next year I gave him a little more varsity time and experience and a little more to do with us and then last year I gave him the JV."

The coaching team of Schmidt and Partelow took the Westfield JV through an undefeated season and made them winners of the county tournament. Their success prompted their move to the varsity assignment with Kapner. "We have worked together as coach a captain, we worked together as varsity and JV coach and now as head coach and assistant coach," Kapner said. "I give him a great deal of responsibility."

With his team off to the best start in years and a sideline staffed with former players, Kapner sees good things for the future of the Westfield program. "The kid is going to be one of best coaches in the state, there is no doubt in my mind," Kapner said. "Our success this year is a direct result of Alex Schmidt, Chris Partelow and an incredibly talented and willing group of young men who are willing to learn exactly what we're trying to teach them."

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Kidd at heart

New Jersey Nets star Jason Kidd escorted Angelique Allen to school after her parents won a contest by purchasing season tickets for the Nets. Angelique was picked up at her home by Kidd and driven in a limousine to Tamaques Elementary School. Kidd took Angelique to her class, gave the school a signed jersey as well as a t-shirt and pre-season passes for students and faculty. Here, Kidd poses with Angelique's first grade class.

Spotlight Stat of the week: Westfield Tennis takes UCT Title

Westfield ended Kent Place's three year streak as UCT champions last week at the Donald Van Blake Tennis Center in Plainfield. Westfield's Jessica Bender, paired with fellow senior Lisa Aliche at first doubles, and Lane Maloney, at third singles, each won a third UCT flight crown.

Westfield's Rachael Louie and Kim Morawski at second doubles, finished with 84 points to win its first team crown since 2001 and its county-best 11th overall.

Maloney, a junior undefeated in the UCT, went three sets to defeat Paige Geiger of Gov. Livingston in the championship match. Maloney also won a three-setter last Saturday when Westfield edged Millburn, 3-2, in the championship match of the Millburn Tennis Challenge.

SPORTSCENE

Charity Army/Navy game to be played at Kean

This weekend at Kean University Stadium on Sunday, October 2, at 2:00 PM Project Pride presents its annual Pride Bowl. Project Pride is an organization that provides educational, recreational and college scholarship programs to kids in Newark. Each year their major fundraiser is a football game and this year's game is Pride Bowl XXVII.

In recent years the game has been held in Bears Stadium in Newark, but this year it will be held at Kean. The game features a match-up between the sprint (lightweight) football squads of Army and Navy. It's a mini version of the annual Army/Navy match up in Philadelphia, complete with the cadets and middies marching on to the field, as well as pep bands, mascots, cannons, and cheerleaders from both

schools. It's a day full of the pageantry and tradition you would expect, and an incredibly entertaining and competitive football game. It's a great family event. Last year's game drew 4500 people and the goal is to get even more to attend. Project Pride has never taken a penny in federal, state or city money - it has no paid staff and relies solely on volunteers and the help of those in the community. People interested in sending donations to Project Pride can send them to Project Pride, Inc., P.O. Box 1012, Newark, NJ 07102.

Key Facts:

Tickets for the game are \$15 - they can be purchased the day of the game, on-line at www.wilkinstheatre.com, or by calling 908-737-7469.

Kickoff is at 2 PM but much of the marching and festivities will begin at 1 PM.

SP-F get first

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recorded five saves in Scotch Plains' first win, including an ulcerating stop around a crowded goal after Union Catholic's shot rebounded off of the top post. "She is an excellent keeper," Tobier said.

With the victory under their belt, the Raiders have set their sites on loftier goals. "We're look-

ing ahead to bigger and better things and hopefully competing for the county championship," Tobier said. "They've got a lot of fight in them."

For his part, Ewing knows what will keep his team on the right track. "They're good," Ewing said. "They just have to believe in themselves and play as a team and we'll be fine."

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Yesterday's Box Score

Football
Brearley 20, New Providence 0
Irvington 21, Scotch Plains 19
Shabazz 30, Cranford 13

Girls Tennis
Cranford 3, Linden 2
Westfield 5, Columbia 0

Boys Soccer
Linden 4, Cranford 3
Westfield 4, Rahway 1
Dayton 1, Brearley 1
Cranford 3, Madison 2
Vernon 1, Scotch Plains 0
Westfield 1, Ridge 0
Scotch Plains 2, Linden 0
Westfield 3, Bayonne 1

Girls Volleyball
Westfield def. Bogota 26-24
Westfield def. Scotch Plains 25-13, 25-12
Cranford def. Shabazz 25-4, 25-4

Girls Soccer
Morris C 2, Westfield 2
Dayton 3, Brearley 0
Scotch Plains 3, Union Catholic 1
Westfield 2, Union Catholic 0
Cranford 1, Somerville 0
Ridge 2, Westfield 1
Westfield 2, Cranford 1

Field Hockey
Cranford 2, Linden 1
Oak Knoll 4, Westfield 0
Belvidere 3, Cranford 0
Ridge 2, Cranford 0

Gymnastics
Cranford 97.85, Watchung H 96.75
Westfield 98.45, Johnson 94.25



Welcome to this week's Game Time, a semi-regular feature going over some of the weekend sports action of local teams with a dose of smarmy goodness on the side. This week features some epic rivalries as local football looks to snap some losing streaks, while local soccer looks to build on earlier success.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30

Football

Cranford vs. Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 7 PM

Master vs. Pupil at Memorial Field this Friday night in Cranford as head coach Erik Rosenmeier hosts his former mentor, Scotch Plains Steven Ciccotelli. Despite some who say that the new coach situation at Cranford doesn't add anything to the mix, I think it's impossible to think otherwise. Here you have a guy who has spent the better part of his football life as a Raider is now leading the Cougars into battle. They have very similar philosophies, very similar attitudes and very similar approaches to the game. Both coaches also have young teams with very few returning starters. This should be a fantastic game. Scotch Plains lost a close one to a much favored Irvington last week, and Cranford has suffered back to back stumbles; a last second let down to Linden and a beating by Shabazz. Both will be hungry for a win. This one will be close, but I think Cranford has the edge if they stay hungry and keep the Raiders from casting their second half spells.

Boys Soccer

Cranford at Timothy Christian, 4 PM

Cranford's Joe Toloumis has been a downright offensive force for the Cougars this season. This is another team that is improving every time they take the field. Their young team has been making great strides in the season, and following the curve, should top Timothy Christian as easily as the lady Cougars did.

Girls Soccer

Westfield at Oak Knoll, 4 PM

After bursting the bubble of Cranford's undefeated season last week, Katie Eagan's girls travel to Oak Knoll to face a very tough girls team that recently brutalized Roselle Park 9-0. The Blue Devils are going to have to contain the two headed dragon of Kelsey Quick and Lizzie Nolan if they want to send the same message to Oak Knoll as they did to the Cougars.

Brearley vs. Roselle Catholic, 4 PM

Roselle Catholic was manhandled by Oak Knoll and will be looking to take it out on somebody's backside this week. If Brearley wants to win, they are going to have to get up and stay up and control the ball.

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

Football

Westfield vs. MXS

Westfield has played two very different, very inconsistent games and lost them both. A win to them is like a pizza on day 38 of Survivor. But Shabazz is a viciously tough team. Westfield is going to have to play all four quarters like the first half of their game in Scotch Plains. Union shocked Shabazz two weeks ago, and Westfield can too if they execute.

Boys Soccer

Scotch Plains at Bridgewater, 2 PM

Yeah, um, Scotch Plains wins

Girls Soccer

Cranford at Hillsborough, 11 AM

The Cougars will exercise their loss to Westfield. Sorry, Hillsborough.

Scotch Plains at Bridgewater, 10 AM

Colleen LaForge and her Raiders will have to drink a lot of coffee to be ready for a 10 AM game in Bridgewater. But if they do, they should take home a win.

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Real Estate

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For over 28 years the ERA Corporation has served as the sole corporate sponsor from the real estate industry and has been among the top contributors to the organization each year. This year the company presented a check for \$775,000 on behalf of fundraising efforts conducted by its network of brokers and sales associates across the country.

In New Jersey, ERA Real Estate brokers and associates hold fundraising efforts throughout the year. In Scotch Plains, ERA Queen City Realty held a dinner at Pantigis Renaissance in Scotch Plains to benefit MDA. The dinner is an opportunity for ERA associates to gather with friends, neighbors and family for an evening

of goodwill. This year the event raised over \$5,000 for MDA.

At the recent New York City Area telethon, hosted by singer Tony Orlando, representatives from ERA Justin Realtors, Debra Campisano and Kristen Davis presented a combined check from Justin Realty and the ERA Real Estate Brokers of New Jersey of over \$25,000, used specifically for the MDA Kids Summer Camp Program.

Each year MDA supports approximately 90 summer camps across the country and contributed funds help send thousands of youngsters to camp each year at no cost to their families. The New Jersey ERA brokers earmark their contributions to be specifically used for camp program.

"We've found that it doesn't matter whether the summer camp program is in Alaska, Hawaii, California or New Jersey because at MDA camps barriers simply don't exist," said Jennifer Darby of ERA Justin Real Estate. "A

child with a disability can just be a child among friends at a magical place that offers a wide range of activities especially designed for young people with limited mobility or use of wheelchairs," said Campisano.

A team of New Jersey associates from ERA Justin joined in the camp experience this summer at a camp in Spring Valley, New York. They shared in a day working with the kids in their arts and crafts games and conversation. For their efforts, ERA Justin Realty was recently inducted into the President's Club of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Fundraising efforts for next year's camp program have already begun. ERA welcomes any local residents who may want to join the fundraising efforts. Call your local ERA broker for information on how to get involved in the 2006 effort. To contact your local ERA office, visit the ERA Brokers of New Jersey Web site at www.ERANJ.com.

ERA recognizes top associates in Westfield

WESTFIELD — Pat Hoferkamp, president and chief operating officer of Burgdorf ERA, recently announced the sales associates from the Westfield office who ranked in the top 10 percent in the entire company for closed sales volume and/or for the number of properties sold during the first eight months of 2005.

Sales associates ranking in the top 10 percent for closed sales volume include Elizabeth Bataille, Lois Berger, Laura Brockway, Pat Connolly, Elaine Demyen, Julie Murphy, Maryalice Ryan, Cathy Splinter, Joyce Taylor and Carol Tener.

Sales associates who were in the top 10 percent of the company for the number of properties sold include Elizabeth Bataille, Lois Berger, Laura Brockway, Elaine Demyen, Julie Murphy, Mary Ellen O'Boyle, Pat Plante, Jill Skibinsky, Cathy Splinter, Joyce Taylor and Anne Weber.

"The Westfield sales associates are exceptional professionals who exceed real estate standards through their commitment to excellence and client satisfaction," said George Kraus, vice president and manager of the Burgdorf ERA Westfield office. "They continually demonstrate the integrity and professionalism that are the hallmark of Burgdorf ERA, and I am extremely proud of their success."

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Realtors donate funds for affordable housing

Trustees of the New Jersey Association of Realtors Housing Opportunity Foundation recently presented New Jersey Community Capital with a check for \$62,428, representing one dollar for each member of the association. The funds will be used for the Neighborhood Development Initiative Pre-development funds for affordable housing developed by non-profit and community based organizations.

"The Housing Opportunity Foundation trustees believe that everyone has the right to live in a safe and affordable home. Through our partnership with New Jersey Community Capital, we are able to pool our resources and create greater opportunities for families to live in an apartment or single family home that fits within their budget," said Foundation President Christina Clemans.

Last year's contribution to the Neighborhood Development Initiative enabled New Jersey Community Capital to secure the financing for a number of projects that provide rental and homeownership opportunities to low and moderate income families. Examples of the projects utilizing Foundation funds include: F. Berg Hat Factory, a development of 29 apartments in Orange; 10 rental apartments on Williams Street and Glen Ridge Avenue in Montclair and Swan Homes, a development of two single family homes in Pleasantville.

"This generous contribution underscores the importance of providing

funds to build and preserve decent, affordable homes. NJARHOF's leadership in this effort allowed us to leverage their dollars to increase the capitalization of the fund thereby enabling more to get accomplished," said Amanda Blagman, managing director of New Jersey Community Capital's Community Consulting Unit.

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tion raises funds for housing opportunity and distributes these funds to other organizations throughout the state that provide home buyer education, develop public awareness and create affordable home ownership options for working New Jerseyans. The contribution forms are available on the NJAR Web site at www.njar/njarhof.shtml. Donations in any amount are welcome. Contributions can be mailed to: NJAR Housing Opportunity Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 2098, Edison, NJ 08818.

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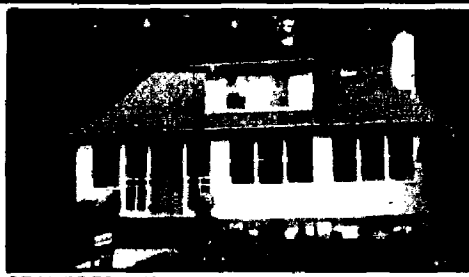
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"In this time of great tragedy, it is heartening to see the outpouring of generosity that our sales associates and employees repeatedly exhibit to people in great need of help," said Ronnie Laiken, president and chief operating officer of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage New Jersey and Rockland County, N.Y.

"We are continuing to collect funds for the effected communities and hope our contribution will help improve the lives of some of the families suffering in the disaster area."

The parent company of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in New Jersey and Rockland County, NRT Incorporated, has more than 1,000 real estate offices around the country that have raised more than \$500,000 from donations by its sales associates and employees, including a company contribution by NRT of \$100,000.

The donation, which will be presented to the American Red Cross this week, is earmarked for the organization's Hurricane Relief Fund.

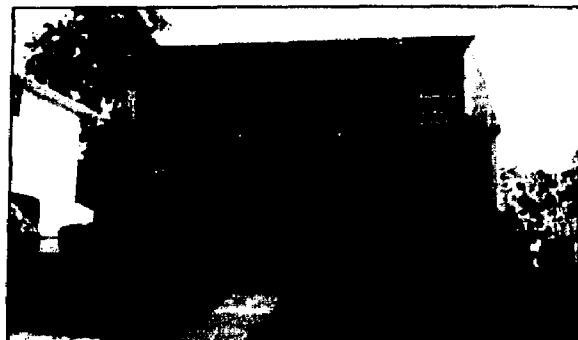
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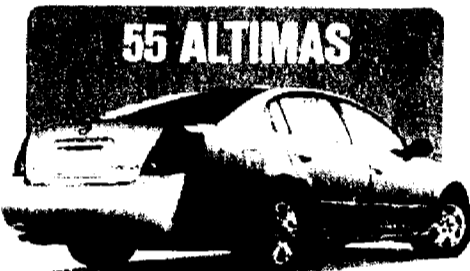
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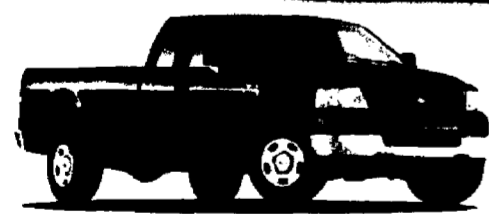
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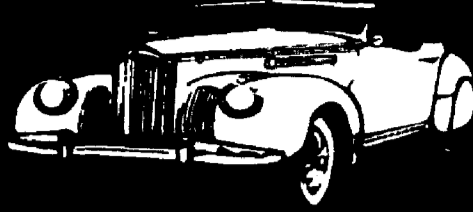
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CABINETS - Maple, customer shaker style, honey color, 16 linear ft. \$2499.00. **908-233-1964**

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Bridgewater Acura Sales Consultant Earns National Recognition

BRIDGEWATER—Taddeo "Ted" Giordano, a sales consultant at Bill Vince's Bridgewater Acura, part of the Bill Vince Auto Group, was recently recognized as one of Acura's top retail new-car sales consultants nationally in the Acura Council of Sales Excellence, announced General Manager Michael Galletta.

Giordano, who joined Bridgewater Acura in 2003, was one of only 12 "Top Volume" salespeople in the country to be honored by Acura, earning this prestigious distinction over more than 2,000 Acura sales consultants in the U.S. In addition to his number of retail new-car sales, Giordano was rated on individual customer satisfaction (CSI) score and training certification for Acura products. During 2004, he sold 309 new cars and achieved a CSI of 98.9%.

"This honor represents Ted's tremendous effort and superior work ethic," said Galletta. "Most notably, he has demonstrated his ability to satisfy hundreds of new-car customers. We are extraordinarily proud of him, and are very pleased to have him on the Bridgewater Acura team."

Giordano was honored by Acura at a special dinner and celebratory evening at the Four Seasons in Philadelphia, where he received a Waterford crystal bowl and \$5,000 in prizes. But

rather than resting on his laurels, the achievement has spurred Giordano on to even greater heights, as he is already ahead of last year in sales volume and CSI.

His success is even more remarkable because of his relatively short time in the auto industry. Giordano came from the restaurant business, and had been general manager and shareholder in a restaurant on the plaza of the World Trade Center. After September 11, 2001, he found his financial circumstances vastly changed, and began searching for new opportunities. A serendipitous meeting with Bill Vince led to his new career at Bridgewater Acura.

All Acura retail sales consultants are eligible to qualify for membership in the Acura Council of Sales Excellence, but only the best are able to gain entry, according to the Acura Division of American Honda.

Located on Route 22 West in Bridgewater, a half-mile east of Bridgewater Commons, Bill Vince's Bridgewater Acura features the full line of 2005 and 2006 Acuras and a large selection of Certified Pre-Owned Acuras. The Bridgewater Acura showroom is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and can be reached at 1-877-70-ACURA.



Gregg Szabatura (right), Acura Zone manager, gives a Waterford crystal bowl to Taddeo Giordano on the occasion of his being honored as one of only 12 "Top Volume" Acura salespeople in the country. Giordano, a sales consultant at Bill Vince's Bridgewater Acura, earned the prestigious distinction over 2,000 Acura sales consultants nationwide. Bridgewater Acura is located on Route 22, one-half mile east of Bridgewater Commons.

Drive Your Road Trip Into The 21st Century

(ARA) - Despite unpredictable gas prices, the Automotive Association of America predicts a record number of Americans will travel this year, and 84 percent of these travelers will go by motor vehicle. As more Americans spend more time on the road, they're fueling a trend toward integrating their favorite gadgets and technologies into their vehicles.

The demand for mobile electronics products such as mobile video and DVD, gaming units, satellite radio, rear-view camera and in-dash navigational systems

is rising at double digit rates every year, and it won't be long before everyone on the block is touting a home theater in the back-seat of their car. To give Americans a taste of what the world of mobile electronics can offer, Best Buy — the nation's leading mobile electronics retailer — offers vacationers the following fun and easy solutions for turning tiresome road trips into exciting excursions:

Eliminate the phrase "Are We There Yet?"

Video: Professionally installed and

portable DVD players, ranging in width from five to 10 inches, can keep kids entertained during this season's favorite movies like "The Incredibles."

Gaming: A custom-installed gaming system such as Microsoft Xbox or Sony PlayStation 2 allows kids to bond over games like "Shrek 2: The Game" or "Spiderman." Wireless headphones make for a peaceful and safe ride for the driver and other passengers.

Music: Sing along to XM or Sirius satellite radio with hundreds of channels

of music, sports, talk and traffic/weather reports. Your favorites sound even better in digital quality sound, and the lack of commercials is a treat for weary travelers.

A portable or professionally installed GPS (global positioning system) makes it easy to find a desired destination using simple electronic road map displays and spoken, step-by-step instructions. Furthermore, using new real-time 24-hour traffic reports, it is easy to safely re-route the caravan to avoid road construc-

tion or a tie-up.

New technological advances help ensure safer road trips. The AudioVox rear-view "Babycam" gives drivers a view of backseat activities or behind-the-car obstacles, all without taking their eyes off the road. Also, Bluetooth technology allows drivers to answer cell phones hands-free through the car's audio system.

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\$27,995

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\$29,999

6 cyl. 8 spd. ps. pb. a/c. am/fm stereo/CD changer. alloy wheels, 17" alloy wheels, sunroof, leather, silver, war/fin avail. 30,901 miles. stock#20115.

2003 LINCOLN NAVIGATOR 4X4 4DR

\$30,777

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Saturday, October 1"

Rain or Shine!

9 am - 2 pm

207 Cornell Ave. Off Martine Ave.

Great Items! DON'T MISS THIS ONE!

No Early Birds, Please!

RAHWAY, NJ**SIX FAMILY YARD SALE**

Sept. 30"

Oct. 1"

8 am - 7

924 Hamilton Street (by Hospital)

New Items, tee shirts, Baby Items & household items.

SCOTCH PLAINS**YARD SALE**

SATURDAY

OCTOBER 1"

9AM - 3PM

2250 ALGONQUIN DRIVE

OFF SOUTH AVE.

Furniture, house hold items, and more..

UNION**YARD SALE**

Fri. September 30"

Sat. October 1"

9am - 4pm

250 COLONIAL AVENUE

House hold items, clothes, toys, tools, Scout stuff, camping, books, exercise equipment, antiques, movies, CDs, games and much more!

UNION YARD SALE

SATURDAY OCTOBER 1ST

9AM - 4PM

134 SINCLAIR AVE

5 points Pucker Ave

Everything must go!

Tons of Baby & Preschool toys, high chairs, swings, walkers, playpen, ride-ons, rocking horses & games, house hold items, collectibles, decorative & serving pieces & more...

WESTFIELD**COMMUNITY/BLOCK SALE ON FLORIDA & WYOMING STREET**

Sat. October 1

8am - 3pm

Something old & something new, we cleaned our attics, cellars and garages just for you.

CHATHAM

SAT OCT 1"

9AM-1PM

56 Weston Ave

Corner of Weston & Center

Lots of baby stuff, crib, high chairs, strollers, toys, bedding, clothing, furniture, women's and children's clothing, household goods, etc.

Something for everyone!

CRANFORD

MULTI FAMILY SALE

Saturday Oct 1"

9 AM - 4 PM

414 Marjorie Avenue

Toys, Games, Baby Items, Books, Household Items, & Much, Much More!

Bake Sale To Benefit Hurricane Victims

FANWOOD

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE!

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30"

SATURDAY, OCT. 1"

9 AM - 3 PM

34 POPLAR PLACE

KIDS CLOTHES, TOYS, BOOKS, HOUSEHOLD AND MUCH MORE!

ROSELLE PARK

MOVING SALE

Sat. October 1

9am - 3pm

614 ROOSEVELT ST (Off Colfax Ave West)

Refrigerator (almonds), 2 bedroom sets (queen), oak dining room set, 2 queen mattress sets, house hold items, records, toys, TVs, VCRs, miscellaneous items, holiday items, craft supplies

SPRINGFIELD

Attic Treasure Sale at Springfield Emanuel Methodist Church

Friday Sept 30"

9:30 AM - 7 PM

Saturday Oct 1"

9:30 AM - 12 Noon

41 Church Mail

Too Many Items To List!!!

UNION

Garage Sale

Friday & Saturday

Sept. 30" & Oct. 1"

9 am - 4 pm

824 Dewey St. (Off W. Chestnut)

Furniture, clothes, purses, shoes, some antiques...

Too Much To List!!

CLARK

FRI 9/30 & SAT 10/1

9AM-4PM

35 Kathryn St

Off Westfield Ave

Furniture, dryer, air conditioner, household items, lamps, and much more

CRANFORD, NJ**MOTHERS CENTER CLOTHING SALE**

Oct. 1"

9 am - 12 noon

Trinity Episcopal Church

North & Forest Aves.

Children's clothing, toys, books, videos, baby equipment, & more. Cash only. For info call 908-561-1751

FANWOOD, NJ**GARAGE SALE**

Sat. Oct. 1"

9 am - 3pm

67 Pleasant Ave. (Between Martine & Westfield Rd.)

RAINDATE - 10/2

Collectibles, furniture, art, home decor, knick knacks, girls vanity, little tykes, easel, art desk, play house, tons of BRAND NEW toys, crafts, & girls accessories, & more!!

ROSELLE PARK, NJ**YARD SALE**

Sat. Oct. 1"

9 am - 2pm

336 Sheridan Ave.

Dir. 3 blocks in from East Westfield Ave.

Something for Everyone! Cerebral Hemiplegia, Inc. will be there. Don't miss this one! NO EARLY BIRDS!

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FRI 9/30 & SAT 10/1

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35 Kathryn St

Off Westfield Ave

Furniture, dryer, air conditioner, household items, lamps, and much more

CRANFORD, NJ**YARD SALE**

Sat. October 1"

9 am - 5 pm

30 Hamilton Ave.

Directions: Off Elizabeth Ave.

Wicker Furniture, beds, clothes, tables, chairs & odds and ends.

LINDEN**MOVING SALE**

Fri. Sat & Sunday

9/30 - 10/2

9am - 5pm

325 Millenia St (Off Sales St)

Too much to list! New items added daily!

ROSELLE PARK

Saturday October 1"

9 am - 4 pm

Sunday October 2"

12 pm - 4 pm

404 E. Lincoln Ave.

Big Garage Sale

Toys, Books, Children's/Baby Clothes, Baby Items, Videos, Household Items, Exercise Equipment, Shoes & More!

Dir: Off of Gallowing Hill Rd. or Chestnut St.

UNION**Garage Sale**

Saturday Oct 1"

9 AM - 3 PM

570 Fairway Drive (Dir: off Chestnut Street)

Multi Family - Something for Everyone. Computer Desks, Household Items, Children's Items, Clothing & Much More!

Rain Date Saturday Oct 8"

WESTFIELD

FRI 10/7

SAT 10/8

9AM-2PM

NO EARLY BIRDS!

659 Glen Ave

North Ave. Edgewood Ave to Glen Ave

Something for everyone

CRANFORD, NJ**YARD SALE**

Oct. 1"

9 am - 4 pm

113 Thomas St.

Furniture, clothing, appliances, household items & more!

LINDEN, NJ

Sept. 30"

Oct. 1"

Raindate: 10/7/05

9 am - 4 pm

222 Elmwood Tr.

Multi-Family Yard Sale

Furniture, Clothes & Household items.

ROSELLE**YARD SALE**

Saturday & Sunday

October 1" & 2"

9 am - 4 pm

163 West 9" Avenue

Furniture, household items, knickknacks, holiday, games, and more!

UNION, NJ**RUMMAGE SALE**

Fri. Sept. 30"

9 am - 7 pm

Sat. Oct. 1"

9 am - 5 pm

829 Salem Road Towley Presbyterian Church

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Clothing, furniture, household goods & more!

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WESTFIELD**GARAGE SALE!**

SATURDAY, OCT. 1"

8 AM

RAIN OR SHINE

NO EARLY BIRDS!!

436 HILLSIDE AVE.

CRANFORD

Sunday, October 2"

10 am - 4 pm

NO EARLY BIRDS

148 Severin Court (Dir: Centennial Ave. To Lincoln Ave. To Thomas Str. To Severin Court.)

House Hold Items, Toys, 3 Piece Wall Unit, China Cabinet, Clothes, Small Furniture & Misc Items.

LINDEN**YARD SALE**

Saturday & Sunday

Oct. 1" & Oct. 2"

9 am - 3 pm

211 Moonside Ave. (1 block off St. Georges)

Clothes, household items, books, tools, toys, KISS collectibles, area rugs, Christmas decorations, and CD's.

SCOTCH PLAINS**Estate Sale**

Fri. 9/30

Sat. 10/1

10 - 4

502 Victor Street (Rt. 22 E. or W. to Mountain)

Unbelievable amounts of Waterford, Royal Doulton, Hummels, Lenox, Belleek, jewelry, dolls, teddy bears, collectibles, assorted furniture & misc., Pack Rats paradise!!!

UNION, NJ**SUPER YARD SALE**

Sun. Oct 1"

9 am - 5pm

522 Fairway Dr. (Off Chestnut Street)

Baby clothes & items, large & small, household items, fishing gear, DVD's, Something for everyone! Children will sell cookies, brownies, lemonade & ice tea, for donations that will go to Hurricane victims. Oprah's Angel Network

WESTFIELD**GARAGE SALE!**

SATURDAY, OCT. 1"

9 AM - 3 PM

735 ST MARKS AVE

Toys, Furniture, TV, Housewares.

CRANFORD**THREE GENERATION YARD SALE!**

SATURDAY, OCT. 1"

8 AM - 4 PM

403 CLAREMONT PL. (Just off Of Orange Ave)

NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE!

Antiques, Crystal, China, Clothing, Accessories and More!

MOUNTAINSIDE**YARD SALE!**

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

9 AM - 3 PM

873 HILLSIDE AVE.

LOTS OF GREAT MERCHANDISE!

SCOTCH PLAINS**MOVING SALE**



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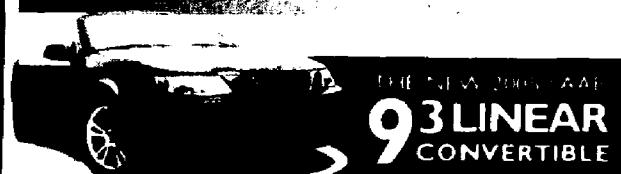
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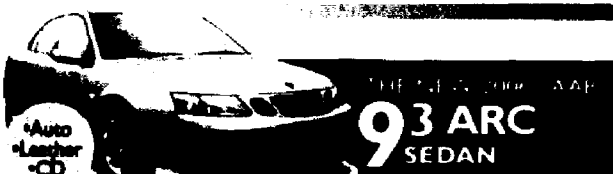


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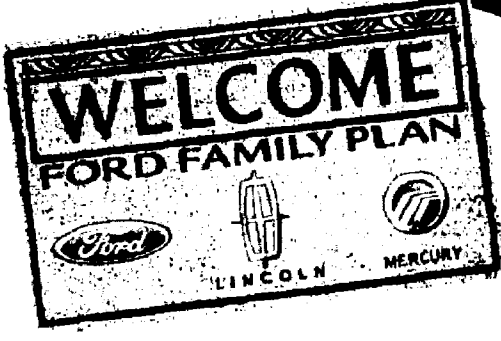
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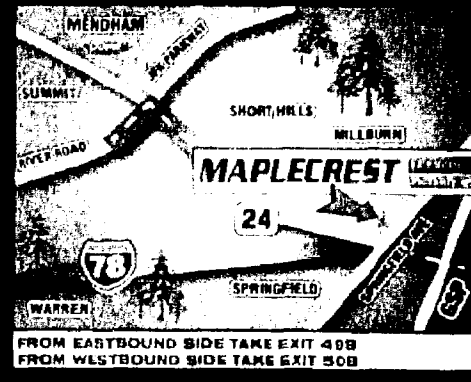


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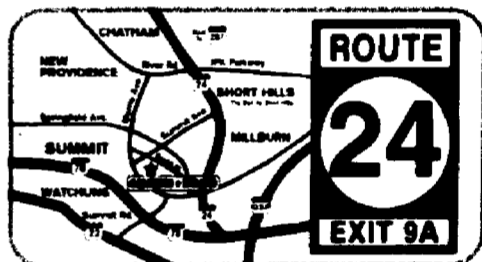


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