



Miss Beth C. Aulerich and William L. Rand, Jr.

*Miss Beth C. Aulerich  
To Wed William L. Rand, Jr.*

Dr. and Mrs. Richard Aulerich of Okemos, Mich., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Beth Camilla Aulerich, to William L. Rand, Jr. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Rand of Scotch Plains.

A graduate of Alma College in Michigan, the bride-elect earned her Master of Business Administration Degree from Syracuse University in New York. She is employed as a senior cost accountant with National Starch and Chemical in Bridgewater.

The future bridegroom, a graduate of Lehigh University in Bethlehem,

*Ott's Welcome  
Delaney Rose*

Chuck and Stacie Ott of Marlboro, Mass., have announced the birth of their daughter, Delaney Rose Ott, on Saturday, March 3, at Newton-Wellesley Hospital in Newton, Mass. Delaney's maternal grandparents are Pat and Al Esposito of Timonium, Md. Her paternal grandparents are Mary and Robert Ott of Westfield.

Pa., also received his Master of Business Administration Degree from Syracuse University. He is employed as assistant brand manager for Glaxo Smith Kline in Jersey City.

The couple plan to be married in May of next year.

*Cooks Welcome  
Stefanie Lee*

William and Carole Cook of Westfield have announced the arrival of their daughter, Stefanie Lee Cook, on Saturday, June 16. Stefanie was born in South Korea on September 14, 2000.

She joins her brothers, David, 19, and Billy, 3½.

Her maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Donald Davidson of Denville.

Mrs. Donald Cook of Freeport, N.Y., is the paternal grandmother. Stefanie's maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. John Growcott of North Wales.

Her paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. William Cook of Basking Ridge.



MR. AND MRS. KENNETH ALLEN BLEDSOE  
(She is the former Miss Marguerite E. Tessitore)

*Miss Marguerite E. Tessitore  
Marries Kenneth A. Bledsoe*

Miss Marguerite Elise Tessitore of Warren, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Tessitore of Warren, formerly of Westfield, was married on Saturday, June 30, to Kenneth Allen Bledsoe of Ithaca, N.Y. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Bledsoe of Upper Marlboro, Md.

The bride's maternal grandmother, the late Mrs. Marguerite O. Ritchie, had been a resident of Westfield.

With the Reverend Al Reilly and the Reverend Jeffrey Black officiating, the couple was married in a morning ceremony at the Millington Baptist Church in Basking Ridge. A reception followed at the Bridgewater Manor in Bridgewater.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white, A-line, short sleeve gown with beaded battenbergh lace. Her veil was a Venice lace hair wrap to waist. She carried a round nosegay of white Marguerite daisies with white majoltes, spray roses, white montessimo, dark blue delphinium and greens with ribbon streamers.

Mrs. Dawn Adams of South River, a friend of the bride, was the matron of honor. Serving as bridal attendants were Mrs. Shari Barry of East Brunswick and Ms. Ann Montgomery of Lake Mary, Fla., also friends of the bride. All wore full-length, navy satin dresses with a silver trim.

The matron of honor carried a bouquet of five white roses, with white montessimo, shodoe ribbon and streamers, while the bridal attendants' bouquets consisted of three white roses each, along with white montessimo, slodsoe ribbon and

streamers.

The flower girls included Miss Martha Tessitore and Miss Sara Tessitore, both nieces of the bride from Essex Junction, Vt., and Miss Savannah Bledsoe of Chantilly, Va., the niece of the bridegroom.

Stephen Bledsoe of Chantilly, Va., the brother of the bridegroom, was the best man. The groomsmen were David Bock of Memphis, Tenn., a friend of the bridegroom, and Jeremy Boykin of Upper Marlboro, Md., the nephew of the bridegroom.

The ushers were Joseph Tessitore of Essex Junction, Vt., Craig Tessitore of San Diego, Calif. and Perry Tessitore of Marlton, all brothers of the bride.

The bride graduated from Covenant College in Lookout Mountain, Ga., with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Elementary Education. She is employed as a fourth-grade teacher at the Timothy Christian School in Piscataway.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Washington Bible College in Lanham, Md., where he earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Biblical Studies. He was awarded a Master of Arts Degree in Religion and Education from the Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary in Memphis, Tenn., and serves as Pastor of the Ithaca Baptist Church in Ithaca, N.Y.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bridegroom the evening before the wedding at New Orleans Restaurant in North Branch.

Following a wedding trip to Nova Scotia, Canada, the couple reside in Ithaca.

**Playground Campers Shine  
At 'Olympic' Competitions**

WESTFIELD - On July 23, Westfield Memorial Pool and Park hosted the 2001 Playground Olympics, where campers from Westfield's seven summer playgrounds competed for gold and cherry ice pops.

The competitions were divided into age groups, with children ages 6 through 9 competing against each other and youngsters age 10 and older doing the same.

Campers tested their skills both on land and in water in the Olympics pool and field events. Pool events included a lap race; the T-shirt relay, where campers had to swim a lap while wearing a T-shirt; a kickboard race and a ball push that required the campers to push a rubber ball the width of the pool.

On the fields, campers competed in an obstacle course, a 50-yard dash and a distance run, as well as a football throw and a soccer kick. Campers with either the fastest time or the longest throw or kick were awarded first, second and third place ribbons at the closing ceremony. All campers received ice pops for their participation.

A few campers received multiple awards for their Olympic achievements. In the 6- to 9-year-old division, Evan Heroux from Franklin Elementary School earned three first-place ribbons and one ribbon each in second and third. Evan dominated the pool events, placing in the top three for all four events.

Double-ribbon winners ages 6 through 9 included Brian Henry from McKinley Elementary School, Jhakye Williams and David Hammond from the Westfield Neighborhood Council (WNC), Nick Attanasio from Tamaques Elementary School, Joe Greenspan and Evan Gingrich from Wilson Elementary School, Cameron Kupfer from Franklin and Rosa Graziadei from Jefferson Elementary School.

In track and field events, among the 10 and older division, Michael Irving from Jefferson placed in three of the five field events, capturing first in the soccer ball kick. Michael Henry from McKinley sped into first in both the 50-yard dash and the distance run. Rounding it off, Michael Matthews came in second for the distance run and third in the T-shirt relay.

The "mermaids" at the Olympics included Kim Legones from Wilson and Stephanie Albright from McKinley, both of whom earned multiple awards in pool events.

In the 6- to 9-year-old division, other competitors included Kevin Clancy, who placed second in the

football throw; Daniel Piatnitsky, second in the soccer ball kick; Annie Jones, third in the 50-yard dash; Caroline Kupfer and Nathaniel Ward, first and second place in the lap race, respectively.

In addition, Matt Wionski and Jack Lechy tied for second in the T-shirt relay, while Dimitri Gravanis and Greg Mitchell tied for third in the same event.

For the 10 and older division, Rodney Bullock, John Attanasio and Matt Gelmetti placed first, second and third, respectively, in the obstacle course. Carlton Lawson, Eddie Simmons and Carlos Pernell placed first, second and third, respectively, in the football throw.

Christine Panarese tied with Kim Legones for first place in the T-shirt relay, while Carlton Lawson tied with Michael Matthews for third in the same event.

Josh Firestone placed first in the kickboard race, second in the soccer ball kick and third in the lap race. Kevin Murphy tied with Matt Demasi for second place in the T-shirt relay and took third for the soccer ball kick.

Mary Kate Margariello placed second in the lap race and Katie Goellne was third in the kickboard race. Tara Handza and Pratik Mehta placed first and third, respectively, in the ball push. Eddie Simmons and Nikkie Bullock tied for third in the 50-yard dash.

The WNC nearly swept the group events, winning 10 older relays and the tug-of-war. The McKinley 6- to 9-year-olds stepped it up to win their division's tug-of-war competition. WNC counselors also contributed to the victory when the south side counselors defeated the north side counselors in tug-of-war.

**Anne Baker Elected  
New President  
Of Toastmasters**

WESTFIELD - Anne Baker of Westfield, the newly-elected President of Toastmasters of Westfield, recently received the gavel from outgoing President Sue Kujawski, also of Westfield.

Toastmasters, which helps members overcome the fear of public speaking, meets on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of each month at Sunrise Assisted Living, located at 240 Springfield Avenue in Westfield.

For more information, please call (908) 654-6304 or visit westfieldnj.com/toast.



REWARDING SCHOLARSHIP...The American Legion Post No. 3 of Westfield recently presented its annual scholarship to Sarah J. Tweedle of Garwood. Presenting Sarah with her certificate is newly-elected Commander Jim Brennan. Sarah is a senior at Caldwell College, majoring in education. Each year, Post No. 3 awards a \$500 scholarship to eligible candidates. To be eligible, one must have a relative who is a member in good standing of Post No. 3. Candidates must also be accepted to or currently attending a post-secondary educational institute. The American Legion is committed to the development and education of its members and the families of those who served.

**NOTICE:**  
The Mayor and Town Council are currently seeking applications for a Downtown Westfield Corporation business operator board position. This position will serve a vacated term until 12/31/03. Interested business operators within the Special Improvement District may request and submit an application no later than August 24 to:

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