



Miss Stephanie Ann Nesbitt and John Charles Niedzwiecki

*Miss Stephanie A. Nesbitt
To Wed John C. Niedzwiecki*

Mrs. Barbara Nesbitt of Orlando, Fla. and Jerry Nesbitt of Greenville, S.C., have announced the engage-

*Briella April
Welcomed By
Payami Family*

Renee and Maurice Payami of Scotch Plains have announced the birth of their daughter, Briella April Payami, on Wednesday, April 4, at 12:11 p.m. at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston.

Briella weighed 7 pounds and 10 ounces and measured 19 inches in length at birth.

She joins her brother, Jake Tanner Payami.

Briella's maternal grandparents are Michael and Mari Jayne Borch of Linden. Her paternal grandparents are Nourollah and Miriam Payami of Long Island.

ment of their daughter, Miss Stephanie Ann Nesbitt, to John Charles Niedzwiecki. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Niedzwiecki of Bay Head, formerly of Westfield.

Miss Nesbitt is an alumna of West Henderson High School in Hendersonville, N.C. and was awarded a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Management from North Carolina State University. She is the Southwest District Manager of Smucker Quality Beverage.

Mr. Niedzwiecki graduated from Westfield High School and from Marist College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communications. He is Regional Account Manager for Kewmark Enterprises Inc., an engineering software development firm in Boulder, Colo.

A September wedding is planned in Denver, Colo.

Historical Society Plans Trip To Staten Island Landmarks

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Historical Society will hold an all-day field trip to Staten Island on Saturday, May 19. Included will be guided tours of the house of Alice Austen, a pioneer woman photographer, and the Tibet Museum, where many artifacts will be exhibited and Tibetan culture explained.

The trip will end with an afternoon guided tour of historic Richmond Town.

The cost of the tour is \$26 for members and \$31 for non-members. Lunch is not included. A stop will be made at New Dorp, where

several restaurants are available.

Checks should be made out to the Westfield Historical Society and mailed to the society at P.O. Box 613, Westfield, 07091-0613. The trip is limited to 49 people and no refunds for cancellations will be made after 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 17.

The bus will depart at 8:30 a.m. from the west end of the Lord & Taylor parking lot on North Avonue and is expected to return there at 4:30 p.m. For more information, please call Bob Miller at (908) 233-6360 or Fontaine Gatti at (908) 233-9709.

Genealogical Society to Focus On Problems With Research

WESTFIELD - The Genealogical Society of the West Fields will hold its next monthly meeting on Thursday, May 10, at 1 p.m. in the Meeting Room of the Westfield Memorial Library, located at 550 East Broad Street.

The program, entitled "Your Problems, Our Solutions," will follow a round robin format. It is open to anyone who has had personal diffi-

culties with general computing functions; with a genealogy computer program and/or the Internet, or in dealing with information sources or any other genealogical-related area.

Members who have had similar experiences will share the solutions which they found. The meeting is open to the public and refreshments will be served.



DAISY POWER...The Daisy Troop No. 902 of Evergreen Elementary School in Scotch Plains worked together to create "The Daisy Rainbow Flower House" for their kindergarten teacher Lynn Sanders. Pictured, left to right, are: Nicole Campbell, Madeline Krema, Heather Chernoff, Caitlin Carroll, Elise Ringel, Christie Leist and Kaylyn Rosado.

Students to Teach Seniors Internet Skills at Library

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Memorial Library will be working with local Eagle Scout candidate Eric Pratt from Troop No. 33 to form a program that will teach the Internet and basic computer skills to senior citizens in Fanwood.

Sessions will begin this month and will be offered on weekdays in the afternoon and evening and on Saturday mornings. Seniors will be taught by middle and high school students at the library.

Both beginner and intermediate levels of instruction will be offered. The beginner course will deal more with basic mouse and keyboard skills, the basics of Windows and the Internet browser.

Intermediate participants will learn more complex Windows skills and how to better utilize the Internet for search and e-mail.

The one-hour sessions will start with an introductory presentation, then the group will split up for actual

hands-on experience. There will be a ratio of one to three seniors per student, depending on the number of people who sign up.

Handouts will be given during the sessions on topics ranging from frequently-asked questions to course summaries. Sign-up sheets are available at the Fanwood Library, located at North Avenue and Tillotson Road.

Caregivers to Meet At St. Helen's May 7

WESTFIELD - A support group for individuals caring for elderly or chronically ill loved ones meets on the first non-holiday Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Parish Center of St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church on Lamberts Mill Road. The next meeting will take place on May 7.

These are information and sharing sessions. For more information, please call Marilyn Ryan at (908) 232-1867.

Newcomers Club to Present New Member Coffee Events

WESTFIELD - The Newcomers Club of Westfield has invited women who are interested in meeting new people and getting more involved in the community to one of its upcoming new member coffee events.

The two dates, both Thursdays, are May 17 and June 7, at 7:30 p.m. each evening. Both events will take place at a member's home. Individuals interested in attending either event or who would like more information may call Jill Higgins at (908) 301-0626 or Danielle Bracco at (908) 389-0949.

Founded in 1944, the Newcomers Club is open to women who are new to Westfield or who have had a recent lifestyle change such as a birth, marriage, job change or move within the town.

Activities offered by the club include age-based play groups and activities for children, a monthly dinner for women at a local restaurant, social events for couples and a monthly book group.

Upcoming events include children's field trips to the Turtleback

Zoo and the local fire station, weekly playground dates, dinner at The Carriage House in New York City, a yoga class and a book group discussion of "The Pact" by Jodi Picoult.

Petty Officer Lipke Deployed to Mideast Aboard Harry Truman

FANWOOD - United States Navy Petty Officer Third Class Brad C. Lipke, the son of Mary Ann Schram of Troy, Pa. and Robert Lipke Fanwood, is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and the Arabian Gulf while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Harry S. Truman, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

While on deployment, crew members from the ship participated in damage control olympics, a competition designed to train the crew to properly handle a crisis at sea.

The events included a fire-fighting gear race, a hose-manning competition, a protective suit dress-out and desmoking compartment.

Carriers like the USS Harry S. Truman are deployed around the world to maintain a United States presence and to provide rapid response in times of crisis. They are equipped with the most versatile and powerful weapons and aircraft available.

Petty Officer Lipke is a 1995 graduate of Manalapan High School of Manalapan and joined the United States Navy in October of 1997.

Interfaith Singles Posts Meeting Dates for May

WESTFIELD - Interfaith Singles, a support group for single adults over age 45, holds weekly discussions on successful single living. Continental breakfast is available and a \$2 donation is requested.

Meetings will be held on Sundays, May 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., at the First Baptist Church, located at 170 Elm Street in Westfield.

For further information, please call (908) 889-5265 or (908) 889-4751.

Button Society Show On May 12 to Mark 60th Anniversary

SCOTCH PLAINS - The New Jersey State Button Society Spring Show and Competition will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the All Saints' Episcopal Church, located at 559 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains.

This competition is for antique clothes buttons. Members of the public are welcome to come in and browse. Admission is free.

The event will feature dealers in antique clothes buttons and competition among members of the Button Society. This spring's show will mark the 60th anniversary of the New Jersey State Button Society, with "Sixty Years of Treasured Memories" as the theme. For further information, please call Gloria Chazin at (908) 889-8970.

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