



EDUCATIONAL EVENT...The March of Dimes recently held a Folic Acid Awareness Day at Jersey Gardens Mall in Elizabeth to educate the community about the importance of folic acid. Among the volunteers were Karen Fountain of Westfield, far right. Others, pictured left to right, are: Rutherford resident Ann Wilson of the Arc of New Jersey; Theresa and Jennifer Maxwell of Warren.

Mr. Malool Tells Meridians About Emergency Readiness

SCOTCH PLAINS - Paul Malool, Emergency Management Coordinator for the Township of Scotch Plains, addressed the Meridians Golden Age group at its September 10 meeting. Mr. Malool gave out pertinent information for individuals requiring special treatment, medication and the like in the event of floods or other disasters necessitating evacuation from their homes or apartments.

He also distributed information about hurricanes, as well as what actions need to be taken in the event of hail or thunderstorms.

Noah's Ark to Hold Late Registration Tonight in Westfield

WESTFIELD - Noah's Ark Preschools has announced that an Open House Late Registration event will take place tonight, Thursday, September 19, from 6 to 8 p.m. at 836 Mountain Avenue in Westfield. Pizza and refreshments will be available. Noah's Ark offers full-day and half-day programs for youngsters ages 15 months to six years, between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Among its offerings is a Kindergarten Wrap Around program, in which students spend half a day in kindergarten and half a day at Noah's Ark. For more information, please call (908) 232-7011.

Mr. Malool also conducted a question-and-answer period, during which senior citizens expressed a desire for more individualized information.

Through the efforts of members Mildred Neylon, Phyllis Lempert and Laura Swidersky, club members donated games, puzzles, pocket books and other treats to be sent via the Red Cross to American military personnel serving overseas. Donations of food to restock the local Welfare Food Pantry are also being collected.

The Meridians meet every Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at the Scotch Hills Clubhouse on Jerusalem Road. Senior citizens are welcome to participate in the activities, which include card games, bingo, picnics and other special events for the holiday seasons.

Participants bring their own lunch, but coffee, tea and occasionally beverages are provided by the club. For more information, please call (908) 233-6515.

Women's Political Caucus To Meet September 24

COUNTY - The Union County Women's Political Caucus will hold a meeting on Tuesday, September 24, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Cranford Community Center, located at 220 Walnut Avenue in Cranford.

The meeting will feature a workshop entitled "Building Your Public Presence" and will be geared toward women interested in improving their image in the areas of community leadership, career advancement or political involvement.

During the program, Barbara Frank, a member of Toastmasters, will discuss the elements of public speaking. George Stafford, a com-

munications expert with 25 years of experience in newspapers, television and radio, will provide pointers on working with the media.

The Caucus, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, is a multi-partisan organization committed to encouraging women to seek elective office or appointment at the local, county, state and national levels. The group meets bi-monthly at various Union County locations.

For further information about the upcoming meeting or the Caucus, please call Dr. P. Kelly Hatfield, President, at (908) 522-1455.



A SHORT TIME AGO...Westfield High School seniors from the class of 1952 are having their 50 year reunion in October. Pictured from the left are Annette Parizeau, Mary Lou Babcock and Martha Jennings reproduced from the WHS 1952 yearbook.

Scotch Plains Recreation

Basketball Leagues: Registration is open for basketball leagues. The fee is \$30 until September 16 and after it will be \$40 through October 11. Practices and games will be every Tuesday and Thursday in township school facilities. The program is for third through eighth grades. Leagues will be divided based upon registrations.

Tennis Lessons: For children 8 to 12 and for adults over 18 for beginners on Tuesday and Thursday nights at Kramer Manor Park. Sandra Miller, USPTA Instructor, will teach the lessons.

Basketball Officials Needed: The recreation department is looking for coaches for the upcoming youth league. If interested please contact Allison at (908) 322-6700, extension 222.

Theater Classes: Classes are available for 5 and 6 and for 10 to 13 years of age. All classes will be on Saturday and a production will be performed at the end of the program.

Comet Robotics Workshop: Children, ages 7 to 12, can create their own robot on Thursday and Friday on December 26 and 27 at the Towne House in Green Forest Park from 9 to 4 p.m. each day.

Mad Science Workshop: Children, ages 7 to 12, can learn about science on Wednesday from October 2 to November 20 in the Towne House in Green Forest Park from 9 to 4 p.m. each day.

Babysitting Course: 11 to 16 year-olds can become a certified babysitter in one day. The course is held in the Towne House on Saturday, October 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Special Events: Special events include, but are not limited to: Scotch Plains Day on September 28, Spelling Bee (TBD), Halloween Celebration on October 31 and Santa's Arrival on December 8.

Mayors Gala: Tickets are on sale for the Mayors Gala, on December 6, at the recreation Office. In addition, nomination forms for Volunteers of the Year can be obtained at the recreation Office.

Adult Programs: Programs include: aerobics, yoga, exer-dance, volleyball and men's over 30 basketball. A Rutgers Safety Clinic is scheduled for Wednesday, October 30 at the high school for those who may want to coach any sport for the township. Registration is at the recreation office. For more information, contact the recreation office at (908) 322-6700.

WHS Class of 1952 to Hold 50-year Reunion

WESTFIELD - Westfield High School class of 1952, the first class to graduate from the present WHS location, will hold its 50-year-reunion the weekend of October 19 highlighted with a dinner dance at Echo Lake Country Club.

"In 1952 we marched from the old high school to the 'new' one, it was a huge thing," stated 1952 graduate, JoAnne Menger Brown.

As part of the celebration, the class of 1952 is planning a tour of the high school, a walking tour of Westfield led by Ralph Jones, a picnic at Tamaques Park, and the dinner dance.

For more information visit the reunion website at www.whs1952.com.

Reading Club Children Name Characters They Most Enjoyed

WESTFIELD - Children participating in the Westfield Memorial Library's Read, White and Blue Summer Reading Club recently voted for their favorite characters.

The top vote-getters were "Captain Underpants," with 1,416; "Junie B. Jones," with 1,327, and the Baudelaire children, with 1,303.

Each vote represented an hour of reading and these totals only reflect the August reports. According to the library, participants in this year's Summer Reading Club read a total of 12,898 hours.

Harvest Festival Planned At Trailside on Sept. 29

MOUNTAINSIDE - Union County's 21st Annual Harvest Festival will take place on Sunday, September 29, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

Among the planned activities will be a scarecrow building contest. Categories will include Best Dressed, Best Retro and Best Traditional.

The contests will be held in the Scarecrow Corral in the field adjacent to the Visitors' Parking Lot. Participants may see attendants at the corral to sign up. The number of scarecrows is limited, so individuals are encouraged to arrive early.

"In addition to the scarecrow contest, visitors can participate in a

number of activities that were traditional to Colonial times," said Freeholder Rick Proctor. "Try your hand at log-splitting, children's crafts or a pony ride."

Trailside Nature and Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside. Free parking and shuttle bus transportation between the festival and overflow parking at the Watching Stables at 1160 Summit Lane in Mountainside will be provided.

Admission to the festival is \$3 per person; children age seven and under will be admitted for free. For questions about the scarecrow-building contest, the Harvest Festival in general or other Trailside activities, please call (908) 789-3670.



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