

Referendum Question Passes In 7-1 Vote by WF Council

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The Westfield Town Council approved the wording of a non-binding referendum to be placed on the ballot

asking if residents want a parking garage and mixed-use development at Prospect and Elm Streets this fall in a 7-1 vote. Fourth Ward Councilman Lawrence Goldman was the only no

vote and Third Ward Councilman Andrew Skibitsky was absent.

The final version of the question reads: "Shall the Town of Westfield issue approximately \$10,000,000 of general obligation bonds to fund the construction of a parking structure on municipal parking lots 1 and 8 between Prospect and Elm Streets, which would contain approximately 500 total parking spaces and which bonds would be supported by revenue derived from parking fees and mixed use redevelopment fees resulting from approximately 19 residential units and approximately 3,000 square feet of retail space, and, if necessary, the levy of ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Town of Westfield?"

A public hearing will be held on the ordinance and a final vote will be taken on Tuesday, August 3.

Councilman Goldman said that while residents are praising the mayor and council for moving forward with a referendum, "I think it's an abdication of responsibility." He said that the town has spent more than \$750,000 pursuing a fix to the parking problem. "In the end, I'm not sure what we're going to have to show for it," said Councilman Goldman.

He posed the question: If the referendum doesn't pass, what would that tell the council about the underlying issue of the parking deficit?

First Ward Councilman Peter Echausse said that while he respects Councilman Goldman's opinion, he thinks the referendum is prudent, even though he thinks Prospect and Elm Street is the wrong location. He said that residents expect to pay taxes for certain things, but he was not elected to "subsidize downtown property owners."

Second Ward Councilman Rafael Betancourt said that the "money invested has been a wise investment" and it will "lead us down the road to resolve the issue" of the parking problem. He asked that residents stay informed and ask questions on the issue.

While Mayor Gregory McDermott had told residents last month that the details of the plan for the development and the financial details would be made available before Tuesday night, he said that they would not be available for approximately two months. "I didn't get it done," he told the audience. He said that it became more important to get the question on the ballot than it was to get the plans together.

He said that the council would be working with the developer to finalize plans for the development and with the town's financial consultant to iron out the numbers and present them to the public.

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SWEET SOUNDS DOWNTOWN...Tuesday night was the first Jazz Fest in downtown Westfield. The band Phoenix Rising is pictured playing to an audience and dinner goes outside Northside Trattoria on Prospect Street.

Independent Businesses Provide Wealth Of Goods, Services on South Ave. Corridor

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Editor's Note: This is part two of a six-part feature on the business centers in our area that will include Downtown Westfield, Westfield's South Avenue corridor, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Mountainside and Garwood.

On the south side of the Westfield Train Station lies an eclectic mix of independent businesses that often go unappreciated as part of Downtown Westfield.

"The Southside is really worth visiting," said Westfield Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Allison O'Hara.

One notable characteristic of South Avenue is that the "Mom & Pop" businesses still outnumber the national chains that have moved to Westfield over the past decade. Though some franchises like Subway and CVS Pharmacy have made their homes on South Avenue, the stretch does not have as many chain stores as the north side of downtown, where several clothing chain stores sit side by side with smaller businesses.

Bob Larsen, owner of Sound Station, takes pride in the fact that South Avenue's character is shaped by the many independent businesses, and hopes the district will maintain that uniqueness. "I don't want (South Avenue) to become a mall," he said.

Ms. O'Hara noted that another significant quality of South Avenue is the prevalence of "destination shops"

- stores that attract customers for a specific product or service.

R.J. Hartman, owner of Treasure Cove Divers, agrees that the specialty stores on South Avenue attract customers from outside of town, even from areas outside of Union County. He added that he feels the north and south sides of downtown compliment each other, offering shoppers different types of stores.

The newly opened Golden Age Fretted Instruments is a prime example of the destination shops of Westfield. Owner John Reynolds cited the proximity to the train station as an important strength of the South Avenue district because it enables non-local customers to reach the stores.

The South Avenue corridor extends beyond the block of stores directly across from the train station. Sandwiched between Scotch Plains and Garwood, most of South Avenue is lined with shops. On the other side of Central Avenue, an outdoor shopping center is home to several small businesses, including a pizzeria, beauty supply store, and trendy Japanese restaurant. Beyond the traffic circle in the other direction, both sides of South Avenue are dotted with independent businesses offering a wide variety of services.

Town & Country Wines and Liquors, named "Business of the Year" in 2001 by the Westfield Chamber of Commerce, is one of the more recently-renovated business properties in its shopping center. Owner Sean Weirnerman said he chose the location because he found Westfield to be

"the right town for an upscale wine shop." Because South Avenue runs straight through several towns, Town & Country Wines and Liquors is accessible to patrons from Westfield, Scotch Plains, Clark, Cranford and Garwood. Mr. Weirnerman identified this accessibility as a definite strength of South Avenue for merchants, noting that the cluster of stores is a "destination center" rather than a place for window-shopping.

Bogdan Bienko, owner of Tiffany Drugs, sees parts of South Avenue as strong locations for businesses because traffic is not as congested as in the town center. Many South Avenue stores, like Tiffany Drugs, have private parking lots for customers. Echoing the feeling among many independent merchants, Mr. Bienko values the personal attention that small businesses can offer over chain stores.

Divided from the rest of the downtown area by the train station, the South Avenue business district is not as visible as the rest of the downtown shopping center, and it generally does not attract the same amount of foot traffic as the center of town.

Different business owners offer several reasons why South Avenue tends to be neglected by the hordes of shoppers that flock to the businesses surrounding North Avenue and East Broad Street.

Richard Fromkin, owner of Westfield Interiors and Chairperson of the Westfield Chamber of Commerce, told *The Westfield Leader* that the lack of ample parking discour-

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WESTFIELD'S BRAVEST...Promotions were given to several members of the Westfield Fire Department on July 1. Pictured, from left to right, are: Deputy Chief Daniel Kelly, Fire Fighter Michael Duels, Deputy Chief Kenneth Dannevig, Chief John Castellano, Lieutenant John Peterson and Captain David Kelly

WF Fire Dept. Holds Promotion Ceremony

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On July 1, the Westfield Fire Department promoted three fire fighters and named one new fire fighter in a special ceremony at Town Hall.

Captain Kenneth Dannevig was promoted to the rank of Deputy Fire Chief. Deputy Chief Dannevig started with Westfield as a volunteer in 1981. In 1985, Deputy Chief Dannevig was hired as a paid fire fighter, then in 1991 transferred to the Fire Prevention Bureau as a fire inspector. The deputy chief then was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 1992 and in 2000 was promoted to Captain. In 2004, he holds the rank of Deputy Chief along with Deputy Chief Daniel Kelly.

Lieutenant David Kelly, who was promoted to the rank of Captain, received his master's degree in Fire Protection Management from John Jay College of Criminal Justice and his bachelor's degree in Science Forestry from the University of Vermont. Captain Kelly has been with the Westfield Fire Department since 1988 when he started as a

volunteer. He became a paid fire fighter in 1992, received the rank of lieutenant in 1999 and received this promotion to Captain in 2004.

In this set of promotions Westfield fire fighter John Peterson Jr. made history as the first African-American to become an officer of the Westfield Fire Department. Lieutenant Peterson has served the department for 18 years.

Lieutenant John Peterson told *The Westfield Leader*, "I want to thank a few people that made an impact my life like Westfield Fire Chief John Castellano, retired Deputy Chief Jack Duels, Deputy Chief Daniel Kelly, Captain David Kelly, and former Westfield Chief Walter Ridge. I would also like to send a special thanks to my wife Shareen who, while pregnant with my daughter, gave me nothing but support and encouragement through the hours I had to spend studying."

Fire fighter Michael Duels, son of recently retired Deputy Chief Jack Duels, was also sworn as Westfield's newest fire fighter. Fire fighter Duels began as a volunteer in 2002.



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SWEARING IN...Lieutenant John Peterson was sworn in as Westfield's first African American officer of the Westfield Fire Department. Pictured, from left to right, are: Chief John Castellano, Town Clerk Bernard Heeny, Shareen Peterson and Lt. Peterson.



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HAIL TO THE DEPUTY CHIEF...Deputy Chief Kenneth Dannevig, right, was sworn in as Deputy Chief of the Westfield Fire Department on July 1. Pictured, from left to right, are: Town Clerk Bernard Heeny, Chief John Castellano and Deputy Chief Dannevig.

Diners Favor Sidewalk Cafés in Westfield; Raise Alcoholic Beverage Service Issues

By MICHAEL POLLACK
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Downtown Westfield boasts a wide range of eateries with sidewalk dining available. To maintain outdoor dining, a business must apply for a sidewalk café license. There is a \$100 application fee. All sidewalk café licenses are issued for the eight-month period between April 1 and November 30.

Jeffrey's owner Jeff Rust said "it (outdoor café) increases business - especially at night during Jazz Fest or car shows."

"We have a lot of regulars who like to go out and have a drink or smoke cigars," he added. "I think a lot of people enjoy dining al fresco."

Under the ordinance a restaurant's furniture must be at least 50 feet from any fire hydrant, plug, or standpipe unless the fire department authorization is granted. In addition, the ordinance says that no furniture can "impede the safe and speedy ingress and egress to or from any building or structure."

Walking in town can become a slight hazard because the cafés seem to jut into walkways. When construct-

ing a sidewalk café component, a restaurant must leave "at least six feet of unobstructed walkway for access from any door or opening on the business façade to the street."

"If you abide by that it's fine," Mr. Rust said. "Otherwise, yes, you are impeding people."

The sidewalk café ordinance says that no furniture, apparatus etc. can be located in such a way "that less than six feet of paved sidewalk unobstructed by any obstructions remains for the exclusive use of pedestrians."

Twelve year owner of Theresa's Bobby Scalera said "I've never had complaints about my business being outside; we stay within our zoning laws."

Mr. Scalera dismissed suggestions that town goers are finding cramped sidewalks, focusing on what outdoor dining brings to the town.

"Outdoor dining enhances the town. Even with an empty table inside I have people waiting an hour to sit outside because it's nice out."

Under the ordinance all sidewalk cafés must have portable barriers between three and four feet in height "which shall be placed around the

sidewalk café area on the sidewalk to define the café area and the unobstructed pedestrian passageway area."

Ferraro's owner Anna Ferraro said, "We try to leave our walkway perfect and leave room for strollers. At some places it becomes uncomfortable. People are right. They shouldn't have to walk in the street."

Sidewalk cafés can operate between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Thirty minutes

after the closing of the café, the operator must have all furniture inside.

A restaurant can sell alcohol "provided that the related restaurant of which the café is a part and an extension is so licensed, and provided further that specific approval has been obtained from the Town of Westfield for the extension of the alcoholic beverage consumption license to the side-

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WET DOWN...Members of the Mountainside Fire Department prepare to celebrate the Wetdown of their new fire truck on Saturday, July 10 at 12 p.m. at Deerfield School.

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Landscape, Parking Dilemmas Plague South Avenue Proposal

By DEBORAH MADISON
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FANWOOD -- The continuation of an application by Messercola Brothers Building Company proposing a mixed-use development on the corner of South Avenue and First Street was heard before the Fanwood Planning Board at its June 23 meeting.

The development, which proposes commercial, retail and residential uses, would be situated on two lots currently occupied by two single-family homes. Those homes will be razed to make way for the 10,230 square-foot building and parking lot. The applicant is applying for a parking variance, as the 48 spaces proposed fall short of the number proscribed by ordinance.

At last month's meeting, landscape architect Lawrence Tencza of Tencza Associates of East Orange recommended that the site be surrounded with Hawthorne trees set at the curb. Due to concerns expressed by the board that branches overhanging into the street might interfere with large vehicles, such as buses, Mr. Tencza returned this month with a proposal that Ginkgo trees be substituted. Ginkgos, he said, were much smaller in breadth and have higher branches that would not impede the view of drivers exiting the parking lot.

In response to the board's concerns regarding tree roots tearing up the sidewalks, Mr. Tencza proposed a technology that encourages tree roots to grow under the sidewalks and reach into the soil on the other side of the concrete.

Jean Kavinski, a member of Fanwood's shade tree commission, was asked by the board to question Mr. Tencza regarding these issues.

Ms. Kavinski said that the commission preferred to have trees planted on the lawn, not near the curb, in order to avoid sidewalk problems. She also said that she had concerns regarding the choice of Ginkgo trees for the site.

Ms. Kavinski also requested to see the report on the tree-root technology proposed by Mr. Tencza. Ms. Kavinski asked if he could accompany her to the site to inspect trees marked for elimination. He said he would send his arborist to the site to address specific trees with her.

The Architect for the development, Rocco Campanella, presented

samples of the building materials that would be used to the board. The architecture and materials would be consistent with Fanwood's Victorian décor, using earth tones of beiges, browns and greens for the three-story building with five roof-peaks. The maximum height of the roof will be 28 feet.

First Street residents expressed their concerns that this height would impinge on their privacy. Mr. Tencza told First Street resident Jim Conahan that initially, the tree buffer would not block headlights from shining into his windows, but that eventually, the trees would fan out and act as a shield from parking lot headlights.

Civil engineer and traffic expert David Shropshire of Shropshire Associates LLC in Medford presented testimony to the board that in his professional opinion, the parking spaces proposed were more than adequate for a mixed-use development, as residential and retail uses peak at opposite times. The proposed 48 parking spaces are approximately 15 less than the number required for a development of this size. He also suggested that because the development was near a railroad, some residents would be more inclined to use the train rather than own a car.

Several board members disagreed, citing that most residents would need a car to access supermarkets and highway shopping.

Mr. Shropshire said that if the board was disinclined to approve the parking variance, the applicant was willing to be held to the condition of having to prove that the parking was adequate for the initial uses before being issued certificates of occupancy for subsequent areas of the development. Board Vice Chairman John Celardo told *The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Times* that he had never heard of such a condition for a development.

The board also questioned the traffic engineer regarding the flow of cars entering and exiting the proposed parking lot and discussed their concerns about traffic flow on First Street. A restricted left turn out of the parking lot onto South Avenue was evaluated.

Jack Molenaar, the council representative to the planning board, asked Mr. Shropshire to look into other options, such as alternative parking lots in the area, as well as

traffic flow control measures such as striping, bump outs and a cross-walk to protect the pedestrians crossing South Avenue.

Mr. Shropshire said that the Department of Transportation will be reviewing the development for any measures needed to control the traffic in this area.

The application will be continued on Wednesday, July 28 with testimony from the applicant's professional planner and site engineer.

In other business, the board voted to change the Planning Board's meeting time from 8 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. This new time will begin in September and will also apply to planning board agenda meetings. The reason, cited by board members, is to start earlier and finish earlier, avoiding late-night mistakes.

Businesses

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ages shoppers from browsing South Avenue.

Elena Ciervo, the owner of Meeker's Florist, suggested that better lighting in the evening and measures taken to beautify South Avenue would revitalize the area and make shoppers feel more comfortable.

Mr. Fromkin, who is also a board member of the Downtown Westfield Corporation, agreed and said he hopes South Avenue merchants continue to maintain and improve the appearances of their stores by keeping them clean and attractive.

South Avenue may not always be considered by shoppers to be part of 'downtown Westfield,' but the strip of businesses does lie within the borders of the Special Improvement District. Sherry Cronin, Executive Director of the Downtown Westfield Corporation, maintained that South Avenue is considered to be an equally important part of downtown Westfield as the North Avenue side.

"We include South Avenue in everything we do," she said, citing current initiatives to improve facade design for several properties, including Duke's Sub & Deli, Pro-Tour Bicycle and Westfield Sleep Center.

Ms. Cronin also addressed the strengths of South Avenue, praising the uniquely individual businesses such as Classic Basket, Meeker's Florist and Westfield Seafood, which provide upscale services.

Some merchants disagree, however, saying that South Avenue often receives less attention than the center of downtown. One example noted by Mr. Bienko is that the downtown holiday decorations from the Chamber of Commerce do not extend down South Avenue. Ms. Ciervo noted the lack of initiative thus far to accent South Avenue with lighting or outdoor plants.

While the heart of town ranks high in popularity for local and visiting shoppers, it is important to remember that the Westfield business district on the other side of the tracks -- the South Avenue corridor -- provides a wealth of goods and services meeting a variety of consumer needs, with the individual attention of independent merchants and their diverse wares.

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In other business, the council is referring a proposed ordinance to the planning board for their review and comment. The ordinance would establish a conditional use on Prospect Street at the former site of Statistical Research for the construction of age-restricted condominiums. The town council could approve the ordinance by late September or early October.

Elizabeth Dixon Receives Dean's List Commendation

WESTFIELD -- Westfield native and Southampton, N.Y. resident Elizabeth Dixon was placed on the Dean's List for the spring 2004 semester at Mount Saint Mary's University in Emmitsburg, Md.

A senior, Elizabeth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bartholomew Dixon.

Vivian Futran Receives Dean's List Recognition

WESTFIELD -- Vivian Futran, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mauricio Futran of Westfield, was named to the Dean's List at Duke University in Durham, N.C. She is a 2003 Westfield High School graduate.

Duke University Places Kunath on Dean's List

WESTFIELD -- Shannon Kunath of Westfield has been named to the Dean's List for the spring 2004 semester at Duke University in Durham, N.C.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kunath of Westfield, she is a member of Duke's Class of 2006. She is majoring in economics. Shannon is a 2002 graduate of Westfield High School.

Fanwood Borough Budget Expected To Pass; DOT to Return \$300,000

By ELIZABETH CORRELL
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FANWOOD -- Fanwood Borough Council announced at Tuesday's budget meeting that Fanwood's 2004 budget is expected to pass at a public meeting to be held at Borough Hall on Monday, July 19, at 7 p.m.

The first readings of the capital budget and a salary ordinance will be done at next week's council meeting, and the municipal budget amendments will be discussed.

Two resolutions will be voted on: a \$35,000 temporary emergency appropriation for capital improvements and a professional services contract for the bond attorney previously used by the borough, at the same rate.

Mayor Colleen Mahr reported the results of an accounting audit performed on Fanwood's records. It was discovered that the borough had failed to submit vouchers to the New Jersey Department of Transportation (DOT) for projects that should have been covered by DOT funds but were paid for by the borough, such as Westfield Avenue and Sheelen's Crossing.

Mayor Mahr brought the error to the attention of the DOT, and as a result \$300,000 will be coming back to Fanwood, and will be used for upcoming projects in the borough. In addition, Fanwood will apply for a 2004 DOT Municipal Aid grant.

At Tuesday's monthly agenda meeting an ordinance was discussed regarding the hours of solid waste

collection done by private companies. Many residents have complained to Borough Hall about the early morning hours that garbage trucks perform service on residential streets.

Mayor Mahr reported that a meeting was held with the collection companies requesting that they collect no earlier than 6 a.m. Since the companies did not agree to cooperate, the mayor and council are now considering passing an ordinance that would fine companies for collecting earlier.

Union County's Utilities Authority has announced an increase in fees for the disposal of solid waste from municipalities in the county. Mayor Mahr stated that she has spoken with the Utilities Authority and received confirmation that, due to the borough's collection schedule,

Fanwood will be not affected by this cost increase in 2004; however, it will take effect in 2005.

Resolutions regarding several professional contracts will be voted on at next week's council meeting. Three contracts will continue: Charles Whelan from Salient Associates as consultant on the borough's communications tower, Frank Regan's for legal services regarding the downtown redevelopment project and ELB for the borough's website maintenance. Kupper Associates is being hired to provide engineering services for the borough.

Fanwood will be applying for a Union County Children's Recreation Trust Grant. If received, the grant will provide funds for irrigation at Forest Road Park and additional Recreation Department equipment.



IN MEMORY OF...The Walter Lestarchick memorial was recently dedicated at the Fanwood Conservation Center.

WESTFIELD POLICE BLOTTER

MONDAY, JUNE 28

• Richard I. Bennett, 20, of Plainfield was arrested at a local movie theater and charged with hindering apprehension. He allegedly gave police a false name when officers responded to a report of a disturbance at the theater involving Bennett and two other people.

Bennett, who also was wanted on five contempt of court warrants out of Bridgewater totaling \$2,500, was being held pending bail to be set by the Westfield Municipal Court judge.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30

• George Suarez, 43, of Neshanic Station was arrested in the 900 block of South Avenue, West, and charged with obstructing the administration of law and resisting arrest.

According to authorities, Suarez interfered with a police officer's interview with the owner of a store regarding a complaint about the suspect. After being told not to interfere, police said Suarez approached

the officer with his hands raised in a threatening manner. He was later released on his own recognizance.

• Rosemary Wester, 67, of Barnegat was arrested at a business in the 600 block of North Avenue, West, and charged with shoplifting \$615 worth of merchandise. She was later released on her own recognizance.

THURSDAY, JULY 1

• Two adult videos, costing approximately \$50 in total, were reported stolen from an Elm Street business. It is believed that a man accompanied by a child took the items from the premises, but police have no further description of the suspect.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

• A resident of Sandra Circle reported finding numerous small dents and scratches along the length of the passenger side of his motor vehicle. The damage occurred while the vehicle was in a common parking area.



LOCAL GRADUATES...Five area residents are recent sixth-grade graduates of Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit. Pictured, left to right, are: Jessica Natoli, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Natoli of Scotch Plains; Alexander Russoniello, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Russoniello of Scotch Plains; Joseph Macri, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Macri of Westfield; Seton Hartnett, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hartnett of Westfield; and Victoria Roeck, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Roeck of Westfield. A class of 35 graduated from the Lower School on June 10.

Eric Weinberg of Westfield Graduates Newark Academy

WESTFIELD -- Eric Weinberg of Westfield graduated from Newark Academy in Livingston during the school's 230th commencement ceremony on June 13.

Eric, who was recognized as an Honors Student every term from eighth to 12th grade, was Newark Academy's Spring 2004 "Distinguished Alumni National Youth Leadership Forum" nominee in law.

He earned a varsity letter in baseball during his junior year, playing on the team from 2001 to 2004, as well as American Legion Summer

Baseball in 2002 and 2003. Eric was on the school's Minuteman Society Executive Committee, serving as Liaison to the Newark Academy Athletic Department.

He was a writer for the school paper, *The Minutemen*, for four years, a member of the Model United Nations Club from 2002 to 2004, and a two-year member of the Prom Committee, the Tech Crew for school concerts and musicals, the Ski Club and Mini Golf Club.

In the fall, Eric will attend Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Jay Weinberg of Westfield.



Eric Weinberg

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SURVIVOR STORY...New York City Police Detective and Malvern, N.Y. resident Steven McDonald survived a near-fatal shooting while on duty on July 12, 1986. He was left paralyzed by the injuries he sustained. Recently, Mr. McDonald visited Holy Trinity Interparochial School in Westfield to speak with students in grades 5 to 8 about the shooting, his recovery, faith and forgiveness. Detective McDonald is pictured, above, with Principal Dorothy Szot and some of the students he met after the assembly.

Ryan Ragoza of WF Attends Junior Nat'l Leaders Event

WESTFIELD -- Ryan Ragoza of Westfield joined 200 middle school students throughout the United States at the Junior National Young Leaders Conference (JrNYLC) themed "The Legacy of American Leadership" from June 26 to July 1 in Washington, D.C.

Ryan was nominated to represent Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield based on his outstanding academic achievements and demonstrated leadership potential. He will enter the eighth grade at

Roosevelt School in the fall. He is a Distinguished Honor Roll student and participates in the Gifted & Talented pilot program. Ryan has been active in the Destination Imagination creative problem-solving tournament for three years. He also plays spring and summer baseball.

Prior to attending, Ryan anticipated learning more about leadership throughout American history. He also sought to improve his leadership skills by working with other high-achieving middle school pupils.



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