

Rotary Club Luminary Sales To Commence on Saturday

FANWOOD - The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club will begin its annual luminary sale this Saturday, December 9, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. It will take place at the Fanwood Municipal Garage on Manfra Way, located opposite the Fanwood Memorial Library at Tillotson Road and North Avenue.

A popular Christmas custom that began centuries ago in Spain and Mexico, luminary candles are contained in paper bags that are placed outdoors along a sidewalk or driveway on Christmas Eve to symbolically light the way to Bethlehem.

Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club volunteers will sell candle kits on the weekends of December 9 and 10, December 16 and 17 and December 23 and 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Each candle "kit" costs 50 cents and contains one candle, a paper bag and sand. All proceeds from the sale of the

candles will be directed to charities supported by the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club. The club also will accept non-perishable, packaged food for distribution to the local food pantry. For more information about the luminary sale, please call Neil Schembre at (908) 889-9500.

Lupus Support Group Schedules Meeting

AREA - The Lupus Foundation of America, New Jersey Chapter, Inc. will hold a support group meeting on Saturday, December 9, at 11 a.m. in the Muhlenberg Room of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center at Park Avenue and Randolph Road in Plainfield.

Beverly Danner and Janice Miller are the leaders of the Union County Support Group. The meeting is open to family members and friends and there is no admission charge.



MILESTONE RALLY... Echo Lake Country Club Rally for the Cure 2006 Committee members enjoy the record success of their 10th annual event. Pictured, from left to right, are: First row, Christine Sheehan, Carolyn Cordiero, Co-Chairwomen Camilla Kuhn Quinn and Anne Marie Sniffen; second row, Jill Sitzer, Carol Schon, Maria Ziolkowski, Gerry Connors, Diane Ruggiero and Mildred Orlando, and third row, Anne Wargo, Krista Triarsi, Annmarie Puleio, Nancy Banta and Tracey Lieberman. Missing are Andrea Richel and Stephanie Mammi.

Echo Lake Women Raise \$22K at Rally for the Cure

WESTFIELD - The women of Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield recently raised a record \$22,000 through their 10th annual Susan G. Komen Rally for the Cure golf outing. It marked the largest donation made to the Susan G. Komen Foundation in the 10 years that Echo Lake Country Club has been a Rally for the Cure sponsor.

Rally for the Cure is a breast cancer awareness campaign to emphasize the importance of early detection in the successful treatment of breast cancer.

The Susan G. Komen Foundation recognized the women of Echo Lake Country Club for their 10th year of participation in the Rally for the Cure with a commemorative trophy.

Led by Co-Chairwomen Anne Marie Sniffen and Camilla Kuhn-Quinn, the fund-raising event was organized by a committee comprised of members of the club's Nine and Eighteen Hole Women's Golf Groups.

There were several ways to support this event. Hole sponsorships were available to honor or remember loved ones. Gift donations were accepted for the raffle held at the luncheon afterward. Contributions from the members and the local business commu-

nity were received. A program given to all participants recognized contributors and urged participants to patronize and support the local businesses that had supported the event.

Businesses interested in supporting next year's event may call the club at (908) 232-4141 and leave their name and number to the attention of the 2007 chairperson of the Rally for the Cure event.

Rosary Altar Society To Gather For Party

WESTFIELD - The Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity and St. Helen's Rosary Altar Society will hold their annual Christmas Party on Thursday, December 14, at 12:30 p.m. at St. Helen's Parish Center.

Roxanne McAlvany, director of music at the Holy Trinity Church, will play piano for the traditional Christmas sing-along. Participants are asked to bring a brown bag lunch. Holiday treats will be provided. Guests are welcome. The parish center is located on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield. If transportation is needed, please call (908) 232-6460.

Flu Clinics to Be Offered At Four Area Locations

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Regional Health Department has revealed four additional flu clinic dates available to residents of Fanwood, Garwood, Mountainside, New Providence, Roselle Park, Springfield, Summit and Westfield. Proof of residency will be required.

A clinic will be held tonight, Thursday, December 7, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Forest Road Park Recreation and Senior Center, located on Forest Road

in Fanwood. Another will take place on Monday, December 11, from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Mountainside Municipal Building Court Room, located at 1385 Route 22, East, in Mountainside.

There also will be a clinic on Tuesday, December 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Garwood Municipal Building Court Room, located at 403 South Avenue in Garwood.

The fourth clinic will be held on Thursday, December 14, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Springfield Municipal Building Court Room, located at 100 Mountain Avenue in Springfield.

These clinics are open to people of all ages, including children six months and older. No pre-registration is required. The vaccine will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis. Medicare eligible participants are asked to bring their card with them.

For more information, please contact Anne Travisano, public health nurse, at (908) 789-4070, extension no. 4073, or by e-mail at atravisano@westfieldnj.net.

Youngsters to Learn Chanukah Traditions

WESTFIELD - The Union County Torah Center will present a Torah Tot Chanukah Jewish Story and Crafts Hour for children ages three to five this Sunday, December 10, from 11:15 a.m. to noon. It will take place at the Torah Center Hebrew School, which is located at Westfield High School and accessible through the Rahway Avenue entrance by the parking lot.

Youngsters will listen to a story, learn about the holidays and do an arts and crafts project related to this theme. Popular holiday songs also will be taught. The fee is \$5 per child.

Rabbi Levi Block of the Torah Center said, "this will give a chance for children who are not yet in Hebrew Schools to learn about the upcoming important holidays in a fun and entertaining way." For more information, please call (908) 789-5252.

Hypertension Clinic On Tap at Library

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains Health Department will offer its final hypertension clinic for 2006 on Tuesday, December 12, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Scotch Plains Public Library.

Township residents with a family history of heart disease or diabetes, or who smoke or are overweight, are encouraged to attend. The Scotch Plains Public Library is located at 1927 Bartle Avenue.

St. Paul's Church Plans Festival Advent Service

WESTFIELD - St. Paul's Episcopal Church will present a Festival Service of Advent Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 10, at 11:15 a.m. The service will begin with a special prelude at 11 a.m.

Besides hymns and carols, the service will include excerpts from Bach's *Cantata 140 "Wachet auf,"* Handel's *Messiah* and Schubert's *Deutsche Messe*. St. Paul's Parish Choir, soloists and members of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra will be featured.

The Reverend Andrew C. Hammersley, rector of St. Paul's Church, will be the celebrant for this service. The public is invited to attend. St. Paul's Church is located at 414 East Broad Street in Westfield, across from the municipal building. For more details, please call (908) 232-8506, extension no. 10, or e-mail cbanks@stpaulswestfield.org.



CELEBRATION IN SONG... The community is invited to attend a Festival Service of Advent Lessons and Carols this Sunday, December 10, at 11:15 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, located at 414 East Broad Street in Westfield. It will feature the St. Paul's Parish Choir, pictured above, soloists and members of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. A special prelude will begin at 11 a.m.

Temple to Sell CFL Bulbs Beginning at Chanukah

FANWOOD - In an effort to conserve energy and help stop global warming, the Social Action Committee of Temple Sholom in Fanwood/Scotch Plains is promoting the use of compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs.

The committee plans to sell CFL bulbs through the congregation with an order form and a monthly delivery beginning Friday, December 15, the first night of Chanukah. Order forms will be available at the temple, located at 74 South Martine Avenue in Fanwood.

In conjunction with the goals of the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life (COEJL), the leading Jewish environmental organization in the United States, various types of bulbs will be available in all sizes. Selections will include indoor and outdoor, flood and three-way.

"We know that human impact on our planet has done much to make crooked that which was originally designed in a different manner," Rabbi Joel Abraham of Temple Sholom said. "There are many things that we can do to stop the corruption that we are causing to the environment we hope to pass to future generations."

He urged all members of the community to "be one of the many people

to take this one easy action - install an energy efficient, cost effective compact fluorescent light bulb to reduce greenhouse gas emissions."

For more information, please contact Temple Sholom at (908) 889-4900 or office@sholomnj.org, or visit the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life website at www.coejl.org.

New Eyes For Needy To Hold Sale Saturday

AREA - New Eyes for the Needy will hold its Annual Holiday Jewelry and Giftware Sale this Saturday, December 9, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will take place in the Fabulous Finds showroom at New Eyes for the Needy headquarters, located at 549 Millburn Avenue in Short Hills.

Gold, silver and costume jewelry, as well as a variety of giftware pieces, will be offered for sale at reduced prices. All sale items have been donated.

Proceeds will be used to provide needy people in the United States with new prescription eyeglasses and help New Eyes continue to provide aid to the visually impaired worldwide. For information about the sale, please call (973) 376-4903.

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