



Miss Kristin Hessemer and Lieutenant James Neagle

## Miss Kristin Hessemer To Wed Lt. James Neagle

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hessemer of Scotch Plains have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Kristin Hessemer of Scotch Plains, to First Lieutenant James Neagle of River Edge. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neagle, also of River Edge.

The bride-elect is a 1999 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. She graduated in 2003 from Villanova University in Villanova, Pa., where she majored in computer engineering and was vice president of the Chi Omega Sorority. She is employed by Lilly Pulitzer in the Information Technology Department at the corporate office in King of Prussia, Pa.

Lieutenant Neagle, also a 2003 graduate of Villanova University, is a

helicopter pilot in the United States Marine Corps. He currently is assigned to an advanced helicopter training program at Camp Pendleton, Calif. The lieutenant is a 1999 graduate of Bergen Catholic High School in Oradell.

A May 2006 wedding is planned, after which the couple will reside in New River, N.C., where Lieutenant Neagle will be stationed at Camp Lejeune.

### Daughter Keeley May Welcomed By Rileys

Paul and Melissa Riley of Fanwood have announced the birth of their daughter, Keeley May Riley, on Friday, February 10, at 7:57 a.m. at Overlook Hospital in Summit. Keeley weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces and measured 20 inches in length at birth.

She joins her brother, Sean, age four-and-a-half, and sister, Casey, age three.

The mother is the former Melissa Horner.

Keeley's maternal grandparents are Arthur and Barbara Horner of Westfield and Cape May.

Charles and Joan Riley of Mount Pleasant, S.C. are her paternal grandparents.

## Ms. Dolce to Be Honored As Woman of Excellence

FANWOOD - Borough Council President Donna Dolce of Fanwood is among 11 women who have been selected by the Union County Commission on the Status of Women as recipients of its 2006 Women of Excellence Awards. She will be recognized for her efforts in the area of women's advocacy.

The honorees will be recognized for their outstanding contributions and achievements during the 14th Annual Women of Excellence Awards dinner on Friday, March 24, at 7 p.m. at The Westwood in Garwood.

"These women are trailblazers, both in their professional careers and in their dedication to public service," stated Bette Jane Kowalski, Union County Freeholder Board Vice Chairwoman and liaison to the Commission on the Status of Women. "While working and raising families, they somehow find time to serve on a broad range of volunteer boards and charitable foundations."

The commission, sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, will honor these women for having distinguished themselves in one or more categories. Besides Ms. Dolce, they are as follows:

Ethel Washington of Plainfield, Arts

and Humanities; Julie D'Aloia of Union, Business; Anne Beeman of Linden, Civic/Community Service; Martha Bahamon of Elizabeth, Distinguished Young Leader; Pilar Fiano of Springfield, Education; Margaret Hopkins Pipchick of Cranford, Health; Melissa DeFilippo of the Union County Sheriff's Office, Law; Jacqueline Vogelmann of West Orange, Lifetime Achievement; Nancy Areson of Summit, Social Services, and Deborah Capasso of Cranford, Volunteerism.

Tickets to the dinner are \$45 per person. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call Joan Abitante at (908) 241-4889.

### Temple Shalom to Hold Purim Celebration

FANWOOD - Temple Shalom, located at 74 South Martine Avenue in Fanwood, will host a Purim Carnival on Sunday, March 12, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, plus activities on Monday, March 13, starting at 7:30 p.m.

The carnival will include games, crafts, food and the creation of Shalach Manot (gift bags) for a local homeless shelter.

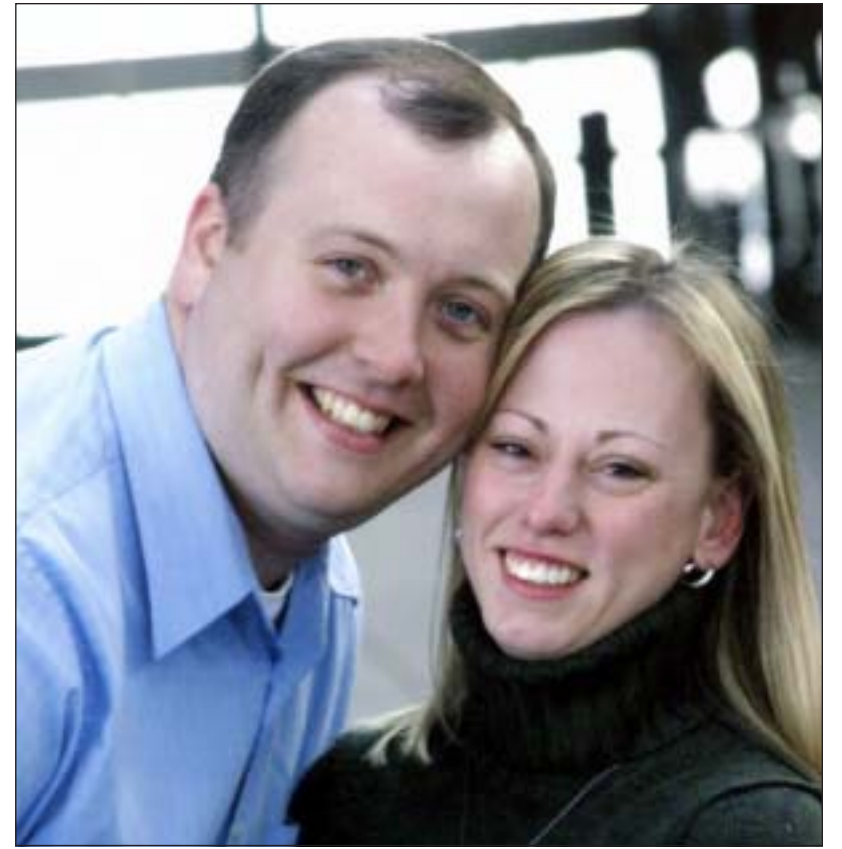
On Monday, the temple will feature T'Fillah, Megillah and a Purim Spiel featuring Rabbi Joel Abraham, Cantor Darcie Sharlein and congregation members. All are welcome and invited to wear costumes to both events. For more information, please call (908) 889-4900.

### Realtor Group Seeks Business Clothing

WESTFIELD - The Greater Union County Association of Realtors is collecting business clothing for women to be used by job applicants who do not have appropriate apparel for employment interviews.

Now in its 10th year, the drive will continue through Friday, April 7. All items donated will be given to agencies throughout Union County that help job applicants retain their dignity when they go off welfare to meet prospective employers.

Items may be brought to the office of the Greater Union County Association of Realtors, located at 767 Central Avenue in Westfield, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Garments should be clean and in wearable condition. For more information, please call the association at (908) 232-9000.



David W. Gannon and Miss Stephanie J. Loughran

## Miss Stephanie J. Loughran To Wed David W. Gannon

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Loughran of Westfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Stephanie J. Loughran of Westfield, to David W. Gannon of Cranford. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David R. Gannon of North Tonawanda, N.Y.

A graduate of St. John Vianney High School in Holmdel, the bride-to-be was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism and Mass Media from Rutgers College of New Brunswick. She is employed as an online event producer with Edgell Communications in Randolph.

Her fiancé graduated from St. Joseph's Collegiate Institute in Kenmore, N.Y. and earned a Bach-

elor of Arts degree in Economics and Political Science from Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y. He graduated from the Rutgers School of Law in Camden with a Juris Doctorate. The future bridegroom is employed as an associate attorney with the law firm of Sweet Pasquarelli, P.C. in New Brunswick.

The couple will be married in August 2006.

### Library to Present DDR and Sudoku

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Memorial Library, located at North Avenue and Tillotson Road, has announced the dates for two activities to be held at the library later this month.

Dance Dance Revolution (DDR), a music video arcade game, will return to the library on Tuesday, March 28. Open to all in grades 6 through 12, it will take place from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the newly renovated Fanwood Room. Pizza and prizes will be included.

Additionally, area residents are invited to learn how to play Sudoku, a number puzzle, with instruction from an expert. Participants may choose to attend sessions on Tuesday, March 28, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. or Wednesday, March 29, from 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. All are welcome.

Registration is not required for either of these events. For more information, please call Nancy Kipping at (908) 322-6400.

### African Violet Group To Meet March 16

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Union County Chapter of the African Violet Society will hold its monthly meeting next Thursday, March 16, at 1 p.m. at the Scotch Plains Public Library, located at 1927 Bartle Avenue.

In a program entitled "Creating A Design," Jan Murasko will discuss how to incorporate an African violet as the centerpiece in a design. Anyone interested in African violets is invited to attend.

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Second Westfield Senior Citizens Housing Corporation will be accepting waiting list applications in March, 2006. Our 1 bedroom apartments are funded through Low Income Housing Tax Credits and as such are subject to the following eligibility requirements:

- All applicants must be 62 years of age or older
- Applicant's maximum annual income:  
\$33,720.00 - One-person household  
\$38,520.00 - Two-person household

The above amounts are subject to change to comply with expected new income limits.

Rent is \$742.00 at this time

Waiting list applications will be available weekdays, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., from Monday, March 13, 2006, through Friday, March 24, 2006, at Second Westfield Senior Citizens Housing, 1129 Boynton Avenue, Westfield, NJ. Completed applications should be returned to:

Second Westfield Senior Citizens Housing Corporation  
1129 Boynton Avenue  
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Completed applications must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, April 5, 2006, or dropped off by Friday, April 7, 2006 before 4:00 p.m.

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