

Tamaques Elementary Hosts Special Enrichment Event

WESTFIELD—Tamaques Elementary School in Westfield recently announced the success of its 1998 After-School Enrichment Program, in which more than 160 students took part during three afternoons in November.

The classes were taught by neighborhood professionals, Tamaques teachers and parents, as well as Westfield High School students.

Classes offered included Master Yoo's Tae Kwon Do, Sargent's Elite Gymnastics, Center for Dance Education's Hip Hop, and varied sci-

ence classes taught by Tamaques teachers Linda Loesner, Trista Pollard, and Frank Fuzy.

A chess class was taught by Tamaques Principal Salvatore J. DeSimone. Westfield High School students taught magic, science and German language. Parents taught classes in art, cooking, and crafts.

The program was organized by Parent Teacher Organization After-School Enrichment Chairwomen Heidi Ackerman, Sue Kaufold and Ronna Pecker.



WARMING UP...Fourth- and fifth-grade students at Tamaques Elementary School in Westfield warm up for a Hip Hop class during the 1998 After-School Enrichment Program. This class was taught by staff members from Center for Dance Education in Clark.

McKinley Kindergartners Learn First Aid Procedures

WESTFIELD — The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross recently presented a program on simple, basic First Aid skills, entitled "Til Help Arrives," to kindergarten students at McKinley Elementary School in Westfield.

Youngsters learned how to stop a nose bleed, how to clean a cut, first aid for a burn, and how to call for help.



FIRST AID LESSON...The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross recently presented the "Til Help Arrives" program of basic first aid skills to the McKinley Elementary School kindergartners in Westfield. Pictured above is Stephen Fowler, a Red Cross Volunteer Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)/First Aid Instructor. Richard Storch, another such instructor, also presented the program at the school.

The program was presented by Red Cross volunteer instructors Stephen Fowler, who gave the morning program, and Richard Storch, who conducted the afternoon session.

The Red Cross presents the program to children throughout the year, based on the availability of the instructors. It can be adapted for children or adults, and is given to Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, church groups and seniors citizens.

To become a Volunteer Red Cross Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/First Aid Instructor, please call the chapter at (908) 232-7090.



REACHING OUT OVERSEAS...The Westfield/Mountainside Chapter of the American Red Cross, Girl Scout Troop No. 989, and scout leader Leslie Streit collected, sorted, and wrapped items donated to troops stationed overseas for the holidays. Pictured, left to right, are: back row, Scout Leader Leslie Streit, Tamara Handy; front row, Christina Henry, Robin Streit, Christine Clark, Rachel Isamen, and Emily Ortuso.

Girl Scouts and Red Cross Wrap Gifts for Military

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The donated items were collected during November from schools, churches, and families, and included holiday decorations, candies, cookies, microwave popcorn, coffee, teas, hot chocolates, and cider mixes.

They also collected decks of cards, CD's, cassette tapes, videos, small board games, checkers, chess, dominoes, cribbage, paperback books, and crossword puzzles.

In 1997, troops received over 1,000 boxes from Red Cross Chapters throughout the country. The gifts gave the troops a touch of home for the holiday season.

The boxes will be distributed by the Red Cross to all troops throughout the camps stationed in Tuzla

Bosnia, Camp Doha, Kuwait, Operation Joint Forge in Hungary, and Prince Sultan Air Base, Saudi Arabia.

Casey Garrels Named To Honor Society

WESTFIELD — Casey Garrels of Westfield was among 72 other students from Clemson University to be recently inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi national honor society.

Casey, a senior majoring in English, was selected because she is ranked in the upper 10 percent of her class.

The honor society was founded in 1897. There are more than 275 active chapters with 700,000 members.

Christopher Phelan Attains Special Eagle Scout Rank

WESTFIELD—Boy Scout Troop No. 72 in Westfield recently recognized Christopher Phelan as an Eagle Scout — the highest rank in Boy Scouting.

Only 2 percent of Boy Scouts receive the Eagle Scout Award by earning more than 21 merit badges and planning and providing leadership for a community service project.

A member of Troop No. 72 since 1992, Christopher rose through the ranks to achieve Star Scout status in January of 1995. He earned Life rank in May of 1996.

Christopher's Eagle project was inspired by his work as a volunteer at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside.

He designed and executed a plan to make 45 colorful mobiles to help brighten the days for bedridden children in the facility's long-term care ward, and organized many members of his scout troop to assist with the project.

Christopher is a senior at Westfield High School, where he is a member of the National Honor Society and the German Club. He is currently a Captain of the cross-country track team. The Eagle Scout hopes to study engineering in college.

Troop No. 72 is sponsored by the Questers Bible Study group of The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. The scout troop meets at the church on Monday evenings at 7:30 p.m.



A SPECIAL RANK...Boy Scout Troop No. 72 recently honored Christopher Phelan with the rank of Eagle Scout. Pictured shaking hands with Christopher is Assistant Scoutmaster Gordon Specht, while his parents, Carol and Tom Phelan, look on.

Westfield Fireman's Mutual Benevolent Association's Food Drive Ends Dec. 18. Donations Accepted at the Fire Dept., 405 North Ave., Westfield
Donations of Non-Perishable Items Please

Celebrate the Christmas Season at
First Congregational Church
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Fourth Sunday in Advent
Sunday, December 20, 10 a.m.

Christmas Eve Services
Thursday, December 24

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Sunday, December 27

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