



**BAH HUMBUG...**McGinn Elementary School first graders in Scotch Plains performed "An Earth Day Carol" last month. Cara Levinson (pictured as Ebenezer Litterbug) and her classmates are in Miss Jarka's class. The play is a sendup of the Dickens Christmas tale and emphasizes the 3R's — recycle, reuse and reduce. Pictured from left to right are: Cara Levinson and Billy Johnston.

## Robert Miller to Compare Two Gettysburg Speeches

The contrasting addresses given at Gettysburg by President Abraham Lincoln and Senator Edward Everett on November 19, 1863 will be discussed by Robert E. Miller at the First Wednesday Luncheon of the Westfield Historical Society at noon on June 10 at B.G. Fields Restaurant.

As the outstanding orator of his time, Senator Everett was chosen by the organizing committee at Gettysburg to dedicate the Battle of July 1-3, 1863 at their new National Cemetery. Senator Everett had been a minister, Governor of Massachusetts, President of Harvard, U.S. Secretary of State as well as a Senator. It was his oration on George Washington that brought in the needed funds necessary to save Mount Vernon as a national treasure.

### OWL to Install Officers At Picnic on Saturday

The Older Women's League (OWL) of Central New Jersey will install the chapter's 1998-1999 officers at its annual picnic this Saturday, June 6, at noon at the home of Harriet Koved, 14 Samoset Road in Cranford.

A national grassroots organization, OWL advocates for the needs and concerns of women as they age.

Officers to be installed include: President, Teresa D'Errico of Elizabeth; First Vice President, Membership, Ruth Geller of Scotch Plains; Second Vice President, Program, Miriam Dickman of Cranford; Secretary, Carole Gordon of Cranford, and Treasurer, Mildred Neylon of Plainfield.

OWL's 1998 Mother's Day Report, entitled "Women, Work, and Pension: Improving the Odds for a Secure Retirement," will be distributed.

In researching this report, the group found that the decisions women make about work and family early in life can have a critical impact on their retirement security, according to OWL President Teresa D'Errico.

For further information about OWL, please call (908) 272-7213.

President Lincoln had received an invitation that was distributed to many other dignitaries, and it was only after his acceptance to attend the dedication that the Gettysburg Organizing Committee formally invited him on November 2 to make a "few appropriate remarks" to consecrate the cemetery.

A Vice President of the Westfield Historical Society and Chairman of the First Wednesday Luncheon, Mr. Miller will recall the events which occurred on that distinguished occasion, as well as the preparation made by each speaker to honor the occasion.

Senator Everett would give an eloquent two hour oration that would become but a footnote in history. President Lincoln's address was only three minutes, but the simple eloquence of his brief remarks produced one of the nation's historic statements.

Regular attendees of the First Wednesday Luncheon will be contacted by a telephone committee of the Historical Society. Space permitting, others are invited to attend. For seating information, please call (908) 233-2930 before noon on Monday, June 8.

### Thrift Shop Schedules Bag Day on Saturday

The Westfield Service League's Thrift Shop, located at 114 Elmer Street in Westfield, will hold its annual year-end Bag Day Sale this Saturday, June 6, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bag Day allows customers to purchase a grocery-sized paper bag for \$3 and fill it with clothing, accessories, books, toys and household items. There is no limit on the number of bags which may be purchased.

The Consignment Shop, located on the second floor of the building, will also be conducting a sale on Saturday. All merchandise will be marked at \$1 per item.

At the end of the business day, both shops will close for the summer and will reopen in September with fall merchandise. Proceeds from both shops are donated to local charities.

## Rotary Foundation to Grant Ambassadorial Scholarships

Applications for the 1999-2000 Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships, to be awarded worldwide, are now available from the Rotary Club of Westfield.

The scholarships, which are designed to further international understanding and goodwill, provide for study abroad in one of the more than 150 countries and 35 geographical regions where Rotary clubs are located.

Some 1,200 scholarships of various types will be available from clubs worldwide, according to Dr. D. Michael Hart, President of the Rotary Club of Westfield. The value of each scholarship and local availability varies. The application deadline is Wednesday, July 1.

Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarships are for one academic year abroad, and provide up to \$23,000 in United States dollars or the equivalent for round-trip transportation, tuition and fees, room, board, necessary educational supplies, contingency expenses, and one month of intensive language training, if assigned by the Rotary Foundation.

During the studies abroad, Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholars act as "ambassadors of goodwill," Mr. Hart explained.

Through appearances before Rotary clubs and districts, schools, civic organizations, and other forums, the scholars represent their homelands and improve international understanding.

The scholarship may be used for almost any field of study; however, it cannot be used for unsupervised research, medical internship or residency, or for employment on a full-time basis in the host country.

Because the scholarship is primarily ambassadorial and limited to one academic year, recipients may not be able to earn degrees, certificates or diplomas during the study period.

The general eligibility criteria is as follows: Applicants must be pursuing university course work when the scholarship begins.

They must be pursuing practical training or vocational study; must have a secondary school education and have been employed in a recognized vocation for at least two years when the scholarship begins. All applicants must be citizens of the United States.

For an application, please contact Dr. D. Michael Hart, 553 Highland Avenue, Westfield. He may also be reached by calling (908) 654-7384, or by fax at (908) 654-3890.



**FUNDING BASH PRIZE...**Margot Komar, President of the Westfield Service League, presents Don Pray, Chairman of Project Graduation for Westfield High School, with a check for \$1,300 to fund the computer grand prize at the BASH '98.

## Desktop Computer Top Prize for WHS Bash '98

A powerful IBM Aptiva E56 desktop computer with color monitor will be the grand prize for the Westfield Project Graduation — BASH '98, the all-night substance-free party for Westfield High School seniors on their graduation night, Thursday, June 18.

"The monies for the computer, a \$1,500 value which will be awarded at the breakfast at the end of BASH, came from donations by the Westfield Service League (\$1,300) and the Optimist Club," noted Project Chairman A. Donald Pray.

The Optimist Club was one of the founding co-sponsors of Project Graduation in Westfield along with the Westfield High School Parent-Teacher Organization and the West-

field Recreation Department.

"This is the ninth year for Westfield's graduation party and we are delighted to again have a computer as the grand prize; an ideal gift for a college-bound graduate of use at both school and home," noted Mr. Pray.

Sign up for BASH '98 began on May 28 at Westfield High School and it is anticipated that over 90 percent of this year's 311 graduating seniors will attend the event. Graduation will occur on Thursday, June 18, and the party will take place after graduation from 10 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Ricochet Racquet in South Plainfield.

The theme for this year's party is *Curious George*.



**MAKING MUSIC...**The Roosevelt Intermediate School (RIS) Orchestra was featured during an outdoor concert on April 22 at New York's Lincoln Center. The Westfield public school students were invited to perform for the public at the fountain between 4 and 5 p.m. RIS Orchestra Director Nancy Petrucci, who conducted the students, reported that "it was a beautiful day," but that somewhat windy weather conditions required the young musicians to use clothespins to hold their music sheets down.

## Quarter Dip Set for June 10 At Terrill Middle School

An outdoor mix of food and music will take place at Terrill Middle School in Scotch Plains on Wednesday, June 10, during the annual Quarter Dip.

Presented by the school's Music Department and the Terrill Music Boosters, the Quarter Dip offers an evening of inexpensive entertainment for the family and a way to help support the Scotch Plains-Fanwood schools' music program.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. a buffet will be available featuring varied foods donated by parents for a quarter dip. Hot casseroles, salads, desserts and beverages will be available. Diners will be able to sit on the school's front lawn and listen to

Terrill's student musicians as they perform.

Appearing will be the school's two jazz bands and other student musical groups. This year, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Jazz Band also will perform.

The public is invited to bring lawn chairs and blankets and enjoy the outdoor performances. There is no charge for admission. Terrill Middle School is located at 1301 Terrill Road in Scotch Plains.

Music will be provided under the direction of Glenn Van Benschoten, Terrill Middle School's Band Director, and Durand Thomas, the High School Jazz Band Director.

## Scotch Plains Candidates To Be Honored at Brunch

Franklin P. Donatelli, Tarquin Jay Bromley and Geri Morgan Samuel, the Democratic candidates for the three seats expiring on the Scotch Plains Township Council, will be honored at a champagne brunch this Sunday, June 7, from 1 to 4 p.m.

It will be held at the home of Mrs. Samuel and her husband, Richard I. Samuel, at 1271 Cooper Road in Scotch Plains.

Tickets for the event are \$25 each and may be reserved by contacting any of the candidates or by calling (908) 754-7575.

The guest speaker at the brunch will be Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich. County and state representatives are also expected to attend.

### Sergeant to be Feted At Optimist Dinner

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Optimist Club will honor Detective Sergeant Howard Drewes of the Fanwood Police Department on Wednesday, June 10, at 7 p.m. in conjunction with Respect for Law Week.

The officer will be recognized for his service to the community at an award ceremony and dinner at Pantagis restaurant, located at Park and Mountain Avenues in Scotch Plains. The cost of the dinner is \$20.

Anyone wishing to attend the event may call Ronald Law at (609) 409-9365 or (908) 753-3041.

### Farmers Market Slated To Open in Township On Saturday, June 6

The Scotch Plains Jersey Farmers Market will begin its new season this Saturday, June 6. Now in its fifth year, the market offers local residents an opportunity to purchase fresh New Jersey grown produce.

The market, which is organized by the Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association (SPBPA), is held in the Municipal Parking Lot on Park Avenue on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It is one of many activities and events organized by the SPBPA throughout the year as a community event, while stimulating awareness and activity in the township's business district.

Entertainers who would like to promote their act by performing for free at the market may call Ray Pardon, President of the SPBPA, at Nuts n' plenty at (908) 322-7388.

Individuals may also call Mr. Pardon for more information about the Farmers Market or the SPBPA.