

Women Voters Announce Arrival of 'Rolling Readers'

The Westfield Area League of Women Voters has selected May for the debut of "Rolling Readers" at the Westfield Neighborhood Council, after a successful introduction of the program in Rahway elementary schools.

"Rolling Readers" came about as a result of a League study of the Governor's proposed Juvenile Justice System reforms two years ago.

League member Yvonne Carbone of Fanwood and her committee decided to act on one of many disturbing findings uncovered during their research — that a vast number of juvenile offenders can not read or write.

Their first endeavor was the compilation of a directory of programs around Union County which utilize volunteers to mentor and tutor youngsters.

Five hundred copies of the resulting brochure, titled "Help Wanted," were mailed to houses of worship, libraries, and anyone requesting it.

The League also decided to pursue a lead Mrs. Carbone had come across during her research, called "Rolling Readers" — a program begun in San Diego which recruits volunteers to read weekly to classes of young children in their local elementary schools, and then distributes free books to

these children.

The next decision the league had to make was where to start the program locally, and how to recruit volunteers.

"Our problem was solved almost by accident," said Mrs. Carbone. "My son-in-law is a policeman in Rahway, and I happened to call just the right librarian, Mary Pritting in the Rahway Public Library, who was very enthusiastic about our idea."

"She knew that the Principal of Grover Cleveland Elementary in Rahway, Mr. Larry Reed, was actively pushing for such programs in the schools," Mrs. Carbone continued. "Ms. Pritting introduced me to him and things just took off."

"My committee recruited volunteers by talking to the police, senior citizen groups, and town councilmen," she explained.

"Anyone interested in participating in the program or seeking information on "Rolling Readers" may call (908) 889-1974.

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan political organization dedicated to informing the public on matters of public policy. Anyone of voting age may become a member. For information, please call (908) 654-8628.



REMEMBERING VETERANS...Students in Carolyn Guarino's fifth-grade class at McGinn Elementary School in Scotch Plains recently held a read-a-thon in honor of United States veterans. They also compiled a book of poems they wrote about soldiers and war to show their appreciation for those who served their country in the military. Fifth grader Matt Borasia, left, represented his class at a meeting of the Martin Wallberg American Legion Post No. 3, where he read the poem he authored and presented the proceeds of the read-a-thon to post officers. Also pictured, left to right, are: Ms. Guarino, Peter Hogaboom, Commander of the American Legion, and Mary Biales, American Legion President.

Summer Program Scheduled To Combat Litter in County

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced a summer-long program to combat litter in its 21 municipalities, utilizing five cleanup crews which will work with county and local officials.

Beginning on Monday, June 1, the county will send cleanup crews into municipalities, roads and parks.

The Freeholder board has reached out to officials in each municipality to identify areas, such as vacant lots and roadways, for county labor crews to focus their attention on during the summer months.

A work schedule for the crews will be provided to town officials and police

Spring Concert on Tap At Terrill on May 26

Terrill Middle School in Scotch Plains will present its annual Spring Concert of Instrumental Music on Tuesday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend the program, which is being presented by over 200 students in five performing groups.

Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students. Children under five years old and senior citizens will be admitted for free.

The concert will be held in the auditorium of the school, located at 1301 Terrill Road in Scotch Plains.

Performing will be the Sixth Grade Band, the Concert Band, the Wind Ensemble, the Terrill Jazz Band and Terrill Jazz II.

The students will be presenting the musical program which they recently performed in competition at Music in the Parks in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

Klinger-Kueter Music Studio Schedules Five Recitals

Piano students of the Carolyn Klinger-Kueter Music Studio, located at 424 St. Marks Avenue in Westfield, will perform five recitals starting on Tuesday, May 26, through Wednesday, June 3.

Nearly 20 students will play each evening. The first performance will feature students Jack Molloy, Michael Oster, Emma Molloy, Olivia Dawson, Kelly Seeger, Jorie Richlin-Zack, Caitlin Oster, William Harbaugh, Paige Geraghty, Mark Harbaugh, Tyler Seeger, Daniel Seeger, Dianna DePalmer, Carolyn Harbaugh, Chris Chella and Kate Richlin-Zack.

Pianists in the second recital will be Jack Allen, Emily Sawers, Jack Kephart, Charles Fraites, Eliza Delaney, Caitlin Jennings, Ellen Straus, Kristina Fraites, Laura Straus, Nick Kasten, Christopher Svoboda, Meredith Reece, Alex Kasten, Stephanie Fields, Amadi Thiam, Condi Thiam and Alyssa Graye.

The third performance will include William Henderson, Gary Binkiewicz, Gordon Peeler, Jessica Binkiewicz, Anna Butler, Kelly Peeler, Gabby Agin-Liebes, Samantha Mooney, Molly Fellenbaum, Kyler Boyd, Amy Fellenbaum, Derek Anderson, Rebecan Brachman, Rachel Mooney, Michael Panza and Dan Gruen.

On Monday, June 1, students Joey Papandrea, Eleanor Neill, Emily Luppino, Sara Dantosky, Kelly Bruno, Megan Papandrea, Isabel Anreus, Gillian McGovern, Henry Kaye, Tara Lauruzio, Jared Moloshok, Samantha Fincke, Maria Xia, Kaitlin McGovern, Ariel Kaye, Rachel Moloshok and Leslie Mitchell, will perform.

The piano students performing on Tuesday, June 2, will be Matthew Albano, Anne Maguire, Austin Baum, Colin McKeivitt, Mary McKeivitt, Charles Bucci, Chelsea Baum, Elizabeth Antonelli, Catherine Maguire, Mark Bucci,

Scott Cantor, Alex Masel, George Bucci, Diana Goodman, Jordan Dagnall, Kristin Aguero, Ashton Golemba, Diana Aguero and Lisa Goodman.

The final recital on Wednesday, June 3, will include Bobby Oberlander, Mairead O'Boyle, Kirk Sabnani, Daniel Bellovin, Allison Oberlander, Veronica Wolfe, Zachary Rubin, Ilya Sabnani, Timothy Jacob, Julia Gormley, Even Bilheimer, Kimberly Jacob, Jennifer Conner, Rebecca Bellovin, Jessica Conner, Ingrid Arnold, Jessica Lee and Becky Hamilton.



NEEDS A LOVING HOME...People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a "Paws in the Park" pet adoption event this Saturday, May 23, from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. in Nomahegan Park next to the main parking lot off of Springfield Avenue in Cranford. Dogs, kittens and cats will be available for adoption. Among these pets will be Tina, described as a friendly and gentle Shepherd mix. She was found on the streets dirty, hungry and ill. It took five baths to get her clean and an operation to cure her illness. In addition, due to nerve damage from abuse or an accident, her front leg had to be amputated. Tina is five years old, housebroken, medium-sized, spayed and current with her vaccinations. To adopt or for information, please call (908) 688-1073. People for Animals reminds pet owners to spay/neuter their pets and to keep them on a leash whenever they are out of doors. People for Animals would appreciate donations to help pay for Tina's surgeries. Donations can be sent to Tina, People for Animals, 433 Hillside Avenue, Hillside, 07205.



ON A ROLL...Yvonne Carbone of Fanwood, a member of the Westfield Area League of Women Voters, shares a book with a second-grade student from Grover Cleveland Elementary School in Rahway as part of the "Rolling Readers" program. The league, which recently introduced "Rolling Readers" to that city's elementary schools, has chosen May to bring the program to the Westfield Neighborhood Council.

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