



**GOLDEN GLOVES...**The College Men's Club of Westfield recently presented a dinner and amateur boxing event in the Ballroom of the Newark Airport Marriott Hotel. Pictured, left to right, are: Joseph Guasconi, Andrew Muldoon three of the boxers, and Salvatore Caruana.

## College Men's Club Enjoys Golden Gloves Boxing Event

WESTFIELD — On October 9, the College Men's Club of Westfield presented Golden Gloves Boxing and a dinner at the Ballroom of the Newark Airport Marriott Hotel.

The amateur boxing program, attended by approximately 250 spectators, featured combatants from New York and New Jersey in seven different weight classes.

Boxing columnist Burt Sugar provided commentary during the dinner hour. In between matches, memorabilia items were auctioned, including autographed boxing gloves of Muhammad Ali and autographed

boxing shorts of Willy Pipp.

The College Men's Club will hold its annual dinner dance and auction at the Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield on Saturday, March 13. Funds raised at both this program and the Golden Gloves event will benefit qualifying male Westfield High School graduates attending college in September of 1999.

Individuals interested in becoming a member of the College Men's Club may request an application from the club by submitting their name and address to: P.O. Box 841 in Westfield.

## Coalition for Arts Slates Santa Visit at Fundraiser

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Coalition for the Arts will hold a fundraiser featuring a visit from Santa Claus on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, December 1, 2 and 4, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at Rorden Realty, 44 Elm Street in Westfield.

Optional appointments for a specific date and time may be made by calling (908) 654-5790.

On Saturday, December 19, from 10 a.m. to noon, pictures will be taken at The Town Bank of Westfield, located on the South Avenue circle. All pictures will be \$7.

Santa will be played by Joseph DeAlessandro, a member of The Town Bank's Board of Directors. The Town Bank of Westfield and Camera 3, located at 222 East Broad Street, will underwrite the cost of the fundraiser.

The Westfield Coalition for the Arts is an art and music advocacy group offering programs, scholarships and grants to Westfield students and teachers. For more information about the Coalition, please call Patty Minsky at (908) 654-8348.



**POSING WITH SANTA...**Pictures with Santa Claus will be offered at Rorden Realty, 44 Elm Street in Westfield, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, December 1, 2, and 4, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The Town Bank of Westfield, located on the South Avenue circle, will host Santa on Saturday, December 19, from 10 a.m. to noon. The Town Bank of Westfield and Camera 3 will underwrite this fundraiser for the Westfield Coalition for the Arts. Pictured, left to right, are: Sarah Spitz, Olympia Theresa Wilson, Mia Spitz, Lee Rosenthal, and Warren Rorden with Santa Claus, played by Joseph DeAlessandro.

## St. Barnabas Medical Center Announces Special Meetings

Saint Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston will hold a series of support group meetings and workshops later this month and in December.

A Family and Friends Support Group meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, November 25, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Suite 302 of the East Wing Building.

The group, which meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month, offers family and friends of cancer patients a forum to discuss issues related to caring about someone with cancer. For more information, please call (973) 322-8414.

On Wednesday, December 2, the Saint Barnabas Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery, Memory Disorders Program, will sponsor a free community program entitled "Alzheimer's Disease Seminar: Experiencing Memory Loss" from 7 to 9 p.m.

The program will be held at the Saint Barnabas Ambulatory Care Center, 200 South Orange Avenue in Livingston, across from the Livingston Mall.

Dr. Ronald Schwartz, Director of the Memory Disorders Program; Dr. Cornelia Santschi, Neuropsychologist at the Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery, and Andrea Beloff, Geriatric Care Coordinator at Saint Barnabas Medical Center, will be the guest speakers.

Light refreshments and complimentary parking will be provided. Please call (973) 322-4325 to register.

On Thursday, December 3, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., St. Barnabas will host a program entitled "Cancer in the Family: Should I Be Concerned?" with guest speaker Karen Brown, Director of Cancer Genetic Counseling at the Mount Sinai Medical Center.

The program is free and will be held in the Radiation Oncology Classroom on the first floor of the Medical Center. To register, please call Lissa Parsonnet, Director of Psychosocial Support Programs, The Cancer Center, at (973) 322-8414.

On Wednesday, December 9, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., a Lymphedema Education Support Group will meet in the Joslin Classroom on the second floor of the St. Barnabas Ambulatory Care Center.

This month's meeting will be an open forum with a group discussion on lymphedema. Complimentary valet parking will be available at the Main Entrance.

For more information about the support group, please call (973) 322-7293.

## Single Parents Group Plans Monday Meeting

The Single Parents Association of Essex and Union Counties will meet on Monday, November 30, from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. George's Church, 550 Ridgewood and Woodland Roads, in Maplewood.

Dr. Laura Alper, a psychologist specializing in single parent issues who is a single parent herself, will be the guest speaker.

She will discuss strategies for coping with the holiday season as a single parent.

Admission is free and babysitting is available.

For more information, please call (973) 313-0481.



**NOVELTY CRAFTER...**Union Catholic High School will hold its ninth Annual Holiday Gift Market and Craft Fair this Saturday, November 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Pictured above is Paul Loures, a crafter who makes novelty sports footstools with team logos, which will be among the many items featured at the event.

## Holiday Market, Craft Fair On Tap at Union Catholic

SCOTCH PLAINS — Union Catholic High School will hold its ninth Annual Holiday Gift Market and Craft Fair this Saturday, November 28, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The school is located at 1600 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Handmade craft items and gift merchandise will be featured by more than 125 vendors from throughout the tri-state area.

Stained glass pieces, themed gift baskets, handmade candles and personalized items for children, including clothing, toys and books, will be among the items available for sale.

Birdhouses, as well as tree ornaments made from a variety of materials, will also be displayed. Victorian decorations and American Girl Doll clothing will also be available.

The Candy Cane Café will offer breakfast sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee for early shoppers. A luncheon of freshly-carved turkey and baked ham may be ordered in sandwiches or platters.

Grilled hot dogs, French fries, soda, regular or flavored coffees and tea will also be available, along with dessert.

Union Catholic High School students will sponsor the Elves Work-

shop, a children's craft area where youngsters may make holiday decorations while parents are shopping.

The building is handicapped accessible and parking is available. There is a \$1 admission fee to benefit the school's Technology Fund. For additional information, please call (908) 889-9475.

## Jewish Coalition Plans Relief Fund for Victims Of Hurricane Mitch

The American Jewish Committee is appealing for donations to aid the survivors of Hurricane Mitch throughout Central America. Millions have been left homeless and the survival of thousands threatened by the devastating storm.

Organized by a consortium of national Jewish organizations, the Jewish Coalition for Disaster Relief is designed to respond to emergencies such as the one caused by the hurricane.

Contributions may be made payable to the Joint Distribution Committee, and sent to the American Jewish Committee, 225 Millburn Avenue, Suite 301, Millburn, 07041.

## Runnells Volunteer Guild To Hold Holiday Boutique

The Volunteer Guild of Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County will sponsor its annual Holiday Boutique on Thursday, December 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose room at the facility on 40 Watchung Way in Berkeley Heights.

"The public is welcome to attend our Holiday Boutique, one of our monthly vendor sales held due to the efforts of our Volunteer Guild" said Union County Freeholder Chairman Daniel P. Sullivan.

"A portion of each sale is returned to the Volunteer Guild, to purchase items for the hospital's residents and patients, such as televisions, video-cassette recorders, and prizes for the bingo games," he explained.

"In addition, the Guild sponsors a holiday party/gift distribution and a summer picnic, in conjunction with

the Berkeley Heights Lions Club," Mr. Sullivan added.

Gift items for the holidays from vendors' tables will be available at the boutique, including toys, candles, accessories, and baby blankets.

Gift items such as toys, candles, accessories and baby blankets will be among the items available for sale at the boutique, as well as holiday crafts, decorations, ornaments, Christmas tree skirts and table runners.

In addition, picture frames of various sizes and items from the Volunteer Guild Gift Shop, "The Guilded Cage," will be sold.

The Volunteer Guild of Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County is in need of volunteers. Interested individuals may call the Runnells Office of Volunteer Services at (908) 771-5847.



**COOKIES BAKED WITH LOVE...**Eighth-grade volunteers from Terrill Middle School in Scotch Plains recently baked cookies for the St. Joseph's Shelter in Elizabeth. Pictured, left to right, are: Mary Williams, Family and Consumer Science teacher, and volunteers Rebecca Babicz and Judy Wicker-Briscoe.

## Historical Society to Discuss Legacy of Area Theater Group

WESTFIELD — "The Westfield Community Players, 1934-1999" will be the subject of a discussion by Group President, Cynthia Olsen Smyth of Scotch Plains, at the first Wednesday luncheon of the Westfield Historical Society at noon on December 2 at B.G. Fields Restaurant.

The talk will be followed by memories of Lucy Buck Ellsberg, First President and one of 12 founders of the Westfield Community Players (WCP), by her grandson, Edward "Ted" Ellsberg Pollard of Radnor, Pennsylvania.

Over the past 65 years, the WCP has brought more than 185 com-

edies, dramas, musicals and mysteries to Westfield, for the past 23 years at its 150-seat theater at the corner of Edgewood and North Avenues.

The WCP is an all-volunteer organization with the slogan "We need hands that clap and hands that work." Auditions are open for casting of all productions.

Regular attendees at the First Wednesday luncheon will be contacted by a committee of the historical society to verify their reservations.

For seating information, please call (908) 233-2930 before noon on Monday, November 30.

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