



CLASS ACT...Members of the "Class of '53" Reunion Committee gather outside Art and Anne Johansen's home in Scotch Plains. The reunion, which at least 65 graduates and guests are expected to attend, will be held the weekend of October 2-4 in Point Pleasant.

WHS Class of '53 to Hold Reunion in Point Pleasant

WESTFIELD — The Westfield High School (WHS) Class of 1953 will hold its 45th reunion in Point Pleasant from Friday through Sunday, October 2 to 4. All class members are invited to attend any or all of the events scheduled for the weekend.

The activities will begin at Point Pleasant Manor, where overnight guests will stay. Class members will sign in there, and will also have an opportunity to socialize and enjoy

refreshments. Continental breakfast will be available both Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday activities will include lunch at the annual Point Pleasant on-the-beach "Oktoberfest," featuring authentic German food, beer and folk dancing.

A dinner will be held Saturday night at Martells Restaurant on the boardwalk, with a disk jockey playing hits from the 1950s for dancing.

Other reunion events include golf tee-times, "Polar Bear Club" ocean dips, and photographs of the weekend.

For information or to confirm attendance, please contact Reunion Chairman Max Venus, 66 Oberlin Road, Pennsville, 08070, or call (609) 678-6844.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS RESOLUTION NO. 1079-98

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and
WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 1997 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Clerk of the Board of Freeholders as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and
WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34; and
WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by Resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

GENERAL COMMENTS RECOMMENDATIONS

and
WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

GENERAL COMMENTS RECOMMENDATIONS

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body; and
WHEREAS, such Resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 - "A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director of Local Government Services, under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this Resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

COUNTY OF UNION

SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF 1997 AUDIT REPORT OF THE COUNTY OF UNION AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7

COMBINED COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

	DECEMBER 31, 1997	DECEMBER 31, 1996
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$129,972,639.84	\$110,977,792.56
Accounts Receivable	63,456,622.46	60,242,270.77
Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - General Capital	158,046,619.90	147,741,352.60
Investment in General Fixed Assets	392,701,601.00	390,851,166.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$744,177,483.20	\$709,812,581.93
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		
Bonds and Notes Payable	\$116,210,000.00	\$96,602,000.00
Improvement Authorizations	63,343,216.93	58,003,933.25
Other Liabilities and Special Funds	120,356,247.51	117,871,016.03
Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable	10,861,791.68	10,987,465.31
Investment in General Fixed Assets	392,701,601.00	390,851,166.00
Fund Balance	40,704,626.08	35,497,001.34
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	\$744,177,483.20	\$709,812,581.93

COUNTY OF UNION

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE CURRENT FUND

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1996
REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED		
Fund Balance Utilized	\$19,800,000.00	\$15,000,000.00
Miscellaneous From Other Than Current Tax Levy	144,107,557.72	140,778,003.92
Collection of Current Tax Levy	151,737,767.00	152,500,268.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$315,645,324.72	\$308,278,271.92
EXPENDITURES		
Budget Expenditures:		
County Purposes	\$289,551,386.19	\$281,914,626.21
Other Expenditures	336,741.92	1,144,910.39
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$289,888,128.11	\$283,059,536.60
Excess in Revenue Fund Balance	\$25,757,196.61	\$25,218,735.32
Balance, January 1	\$3,586,898.63	\$3,368,163.31
	\$59,344,095.24	\$48,586,898.63
Decreased by:		
Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	19,800,000.00	15,000,000.00
Balance, December 31	\$39,544,095.24	\$33,586,898.63

RECOMMENDATIONS

- *That each individual federal program award be specifically identified in the general ledger by grant period.
- *That the Division of Correctional Services:
*Reconcile the detail analysis of prisoners' deposits to the balance on deposit in the bank account on a monthly basis.
*Prepare a monthly cash receipts summary.
*Prior Year Recommendations

A Corrective Action Plan, which outlines actions the County of Union will take to correct the findings listed above, will be prepared in accordance with federal and state requirements. A copy of it will be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of the Board in the County of Union.

The above summary or synopsis was prepared from the report of audit of the County of Union for the calendar year 1997. This report of audit submitted by Supple, Clooney & Company, Registered Municipal Accountants and Certified Public Accountants is on file at the Clerk of the Board's Office and may be inspected by any interested person.

M. Elizabeth Gonenievich
Clerk of the Board
Fee: \$195.84

Teen Programs Co-Director Joins Staff at Westfield 'Y'

WESTFIELD — The Westfield "Y" has announced the addition of Susan Applebaum as Co-Director of Teen Programs. She will work with Director Natalie Tyler at the facility.

Ms. Applebaum was graduated from the University of New York at Albany and has been involved in counselor and leadership positions at several YMCA camps over the past eight years.

Most recently, she was the Leadership Development Coordinator of the Counselor in Training Program for teens at the Fairview Lake YMCA.

The "Y" operates four after-school programs at Edison and Roosevelt Intermediate Schools in Westfield. "Club Mid" offers supervised activities one to five days a week on site from 3 to 6 p.m.

Homework Assistance is offered three days a week. Teachers from the middle schools are on site to provide assistance with homework assignments. They also work on improving study skills based on the needs of individual students.

Teens may also "drop-in" on any particular day for a specific activity, such as roller hockey, ceramics, and model building.

Special events are held on Wednesdays.

All youngsters in grades 6 through 9 are invited to take part in "Y" day trips and overnight excursions planned by the middle school students themselves.

Upcoming trips include ice skating on Friday, October 2, from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m.; a Great Adventure "Friday Night" trip on Friday, October 16, from 3:30 to 11:30 p.m., and a Laser Tag trip on Friday, October 23, from 3:30 to 8 p.m.

Through the "Model UN" program, teenagers have an opportunity to learn about other countries and the functions of the United Nations by participating in a simulation of the United Nations Assembly, according to "Y" representative Bona Wieland.

This program is open to all Westfield and Cranford high school students, who serve as delegates. It culminates in the 26th Annual Assembly held in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

For more information regarding these programs, please call Ms. Applebaum at (908) 233-2700, Extension No. 270.

New this fall is the Black Achievers national YMCA program, which begins in November. African American men and women are nominated by their employers as Black Achievers, to serve as mentors and role models to local teens.

Students are recommended by guid-

Visitors to FestiFall Can 'Read-a-Loud' At Library Booth

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Memorial Library will host a Read-a-Loud program in conjunction with the town's annual FestiFall celebration this Sunday, September 20. Hours for the street fair are noon to 6 p.m.

All are invited to stop by the library's FestiFall booth, located in the vicinity of Quimby and Elm Streets. Individuals may choose what they would like to read aloud, from simple poetry to favorite children's stories, from a notebook containing an assortment of material.

Most readings average a minute in length, according to library spokeswoman Adrienne Basso. For further details, please call the library at (908) 789-4090.

Leader Editor to Speak To Area Women Voters

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Area League of Women Voters (LWV) will kick off its activities for the year with a program featuring Paul Peyton, Managing Editor of *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times of Scotch Plains-Fanwood*, on Wednesday, September 23, at 8 p.m.

Mr. Peyton reports on Union County Freeholder meetings, as well as local topics, and will discuss the status of the county incinerator and other current county and local issues.

Members of the public are invited to attend the program, which will be held at 648 Arlington Place in Westfield. For more information, please call (908) 654-8628.

Individuals may also contact the league through e-mail at lwv@westfieldnj.com.

The LWV is a non-partisan political organization, dedicated to informing the community on issues of public policy. Membership is open to anyone of voting age.

Scotch Plains Women Announce Bus Trip To Showboat Casino

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Scotch Plains Woman's Club will sponsor a bus trip to the Showboat Casino in Atlantic City on Thursday, October 22. Proceeds from the trip will benefit the club's programs, including its nursing scholarships.

The cost is \$23 per person, with a return of \$18 in coins. The bus will leave the Scotch Plains Public Library parking lot on Bartle Avenue at 8:30 a.m., and will return at approximately 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served on the return trip.

For reservations, please call (908) 232-1226.

ance counselors, teachers and other community representatives.

The program includes industry awareness tours, group mentoring, youth workshops and enrichment activities.

Orientation sessions for students will be held at the "Y" on Saturdays, October 3 and 10, from 10 to 11 a.m.

For more information, please call Ms. Tyler at (908) 233-2700, Extension No. 232.

J.S. Blade to Implement DWC's Campaign

To Promote Downtown

WESTFIELD — J. S. Blade Advertising, located at 1620 Route No. 22, East, in Union, has been retained by the Downtown Westfield Corporation (DWC) to design, produce and implement the latter's image campaign.

The Account Executive handling the project is Barbara Benko, who has worked with many individual merchants in Westfield over the past 12 years.

Along with a strong knowledge of the advertising industry, she also brings a knowledge and understanding of community and cultural arts policies, according to Debbie Schmidt, Executive Director of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce and Coordinator of the DWC's promotions.

The goal of the DWC is to create a strong awareness of the downtown business district, according to Ms. Schmidt.

The advertising strategy beginning this fall will include a newspaper and billboard campaign aimed at attracting more people to the downtown for shopping and to dine at local restaurants, as well as to generate awareness of Westfield's cultural events and activities.

For more information, please call Ms. Schmidt at (908) 233-3021.

League to Hold Raffle Of American Girl Doll At FestiFall on Sunday

The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield (JLEP) will be selling raffle tickets during Westfield's FestiFall celebration on Sunday, September 20, to win an American Girl Doll, Molly McIntire, which represents a girl of 1944.

Raffle tickets will be sold throughout the day for \$1, and the winner will be chosen that evening. Participants need not be present to win. The winner will be notified on Monday, September 21.

The FestiFall celebration will be held from noon to 6 p.m. in downtown Westfield.

The raffle is being held in conjunction with the JLEP's third annual American Girls Fashion show, which will be held this year at L'Affaire on Route No. 22 in Mountainside.

The shows will be held on Friday, November 20, at 7 p.m., Saturday, November 21, at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., and on Sunday, November 22, at 1 p.m.

Tickets for the shows are \$24 each and may be purchased at the FestiFall celebration or by calling (908) 709-1177.

The proceeds from the shows and the raffle will benefit the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless.

Westfield Boosters Plan Dinner-Dance

Oct. 17 at Armory

WESTFIELD — The Westfield School Booster Association will hold a dinner-dance on Saturday, October 17, at the Westfield National Guard Armory.

Entertainment will be provided by The Drifters and Vito and the Salutations. The cost of \$40 per person includes a buffet dinner, beer, wine, dancing, and a chance to win door prizes.

Tickets are available through Taylor and Love Realtors or Kehler's Athletic Balance, or by calling (908) 233-8679. All proceeds will benefit all Westfield High School athletic programs.

Overlook Program Sponsoring Bus Trip To Cancer Research Rally

The Overlook Hospital, in Summit, oncology program is sponsoring a bus to a rally on Saturday, September 26, in Washington, D.C., aimed at promoting cancer research funding and public awareness.

The rally, sponsored by March: Coming Together to Conquer Cancer, a national grassroots organizing campaign, will culminate in a demonstration in the Nation's Capitol on Saturday, September 26.

The Washington March will consist of a short walk along the mall to the Capitol Building, a display of materials from supportive organizations, a Wall of Remembrances, a program of speeches and a benefit concert. Departure will be from Washington by 5 p.m. and return to Overlook between 8 and 9 p.m.

For more information, call Ellyn Matthews at (908) 522-5344, Pat Eagan at (908) 522-2043 or Eileen Kohaut at (908) 522-2319. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, September 23.



REVISITING THE PAST...Girl Scouts from the Washington Rock Council explore "God's Little Acre" in the Baptist Cemetery during the recent Summer Girl Scouts session. Through visits to local historic places, interviews with older women and mapping out their family trees, the scouts learned about the experiences of earlier generations, as well as their own heritage and the vital role of women in Colonial American society.

Girl Scouts Explore Roles Of Colonial-Era Women

Girl Scouts from Scotch Plains, Westfield and Mountainside recently gathered for one week to learn about their genealogy, the local lore and the trials of pioneer women in the state through the Summer Girl Scouts program.

The scouts visited many local historical sites, among them the Half-way House, the Terry well, the Stage House Inn, the Osborne Cannonball House and the Betsy Frazee House, and "God's Little Acre" in the Baptist Cemetery.

They also interviewed women over age 65 who shared stories about the Depression, World War II, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and life before television, computers, the early days of telephone and electricity, and travel before major airlines existed.

They additionally mapped out their family histories, created family trees, and learned several hobbies and practices of Colonial-era women in the area.

They discovered that Colonial women were the family health care providers because there were very few doctors in the colonies; that women were a vital part of the developing Colonial society, and that their activities varied according to their families' wealth and social status.

Each scout also learned about the historical significance of many of the founding families in the area, and discovered that many of the local township roads and landmarks bear the names of these early settlers.

Judy Brown, Allison Gionta, Bridget Greeley, Caity Greeley, Jes-

sica Gittleman, Amy Kempe, Jennifer Melillo, Erin Sullivan and Monica Anderson all participated in this session of Summer Girl Scouts.

The program was created and directed by Marcia Anderson eight years ago as a way for scouts of all communities within the Washington Rock Council to learn about the environment, wildlife, geology, ecology, women's history and outdoor survival.

By the end of the week, the scouts had discovered that the state has some of the best stories and richest histories of all of the states.

Junior Women's Club Invites New Members

To Wine and Cheese

Open House

WESTFIELD — The Junior Women's Club of Westfield invites new members to their annual wine and cheese open house on Monday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m.

The event provides prospective members the opportunity to meet the current membership and to learn about the various community service projects that the club supports each year.

The club is a non-profit organization whose efforts include monthly donations to a local family in need, Fifth-grade Spelling Bee, The Holiday Wish Tree, local scholarship funds and the Annual Grand Auction. It is a great way to meet new and diverse women through club activities as well as social events.

Members are as active as they choose to be and all women are welcome!

For more information, please call Beth Lambert at (908) 789-1514 or visit their website at: www.westfieldnj.com/jwvc.

Historical Society To Spotlight Video

On Railroad History

FANWOOD — The Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood will spotlight a video documentary on the history of the Central Railroad and its relationship to Fanwood during its first meeting of the season on Tuesday, September 22, at 8 p.m. at the Fanwood Train Station.

The video, which attendees will be able to view that evening, was produced by Fanwood Channel 35 staff members George Weiss and Joe Nagy. Mr. Weiss and Mr. Nagy will be on hand to expand on the video and to answer questions.

The train station is located at North and Martine Avenues.

For further information about the Historical Society, please contact President Richard Bousquet at (908) 232-1199, or write to the society at P.O. Box 261, Scotch Plains, 07076.



AWAITING A HOME — People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a "Paws in the Park" pet adoption event on Saturday, September 19, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Nomahegan Park, next to the main parking lot off of Springfield Avenue, in Cranford. Among the dogs and cats available for adoption will be Morgan, a five-year-old purebred yellow lab. She is spayed, heartworm-negative, and current with her vaccinations. She would be best in a family with adults and as the only pet. To adopt or for information, please call (908) 688-1073, or visit the organization's Internet Web site at www.petfinder.org/shelters/pfa.html. For low cost spay and neuter information, please call the People for Animals Clinic at (908) 964-6887.

Edward Walsh Is Reappointed As Vo-Tech Media Consultant

Edward "Ed" Walsh of Scotch Plains has been reappointed as media consultant at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools (UCVTS) in Scotch Plains.

The reappointment was made by Charles S. Mancuso, President of the schools' Board of Education. Mr. Walsh previously served for seven years as consultant to Vo-Tech before leaving that post on September 30, 1997.

His responsibilities will include promotion of the Union County Magnet High School for Science, Mathematics and Technology at the Vo-Tech Raritan Road campus.

"During his absence," Mr. Mancuso stated, "it became apparent that Mr. Walsh's abilities, experience and track record while at UCVTS were, and are, uniquely suited to filling our press-related needs. Therefore, he was asked to rejoin us, which he has now done."

Mr. Walsh is a veteran of over 30 years in the newspaper and public relations fields. He served for 10 years as Director of Public Relations at Middlesex County College before turning to consulting in 1985. At that time, he formed Ed Walsh Associates.

Mr. Walsh was a Director in the Public Affairs Office at then-Union College, and was a reporter for the *Bergen Evening Record* in Hackensack.

He was an editor and columnist for the *Paterson Evening News* and the *Ramapo Valley Independent* in Suffern, New York.

In addition, he served as an editor and columnist at the *Westfield Suburban News*, and was Vice President of the former *Scotch Plains Times*.

A Past President of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Walsh was also President of the New Jersey Council of Public Relations Officers and Director of District One for the National Council On Community Relations.

He has also served on the Board of Directors for the Advisory Council, New Brunswick Career Preparation Center; the National Council On Community Relations, the Edison Chamber of Commerce, and the Red Cross of Central New Jersey.

Mr. Walsh is a graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University in Rutherford, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism.