



Sang M. Oh and Miss Marianne Panarese

## Miss Marianne Panarese To Marry Sang M. Oh

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Panarese, Sr. of Westfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marianne Panarese, to Sang M. Oh of Cranford. He is the son of Ms.

Dong Young Ja Oh of Palisades Park and the late Sung Chul Oh.

A graduate of Manhattan College, the bride-elect is employed by the Franklin Township Board of Education as a special education teacher.

Her fiancé, also a graduate of Manhattan College, is part of the management team of the Starbucks Coffee Company in Summit.

The couple plan to be married in December of 2002.

### Bartons Welcome Son, John Gerard

Mary Pat and Tom Barton of Newark, Del., have announced the birth of their son, John Gerard Barton, on Tuesday, January 16.

"Jack" weighed 6 pounds and 8 ounces and measured 20 inches in length at birth.

The maternal grandparents are Sue Wilde of Parkersburg, Pa. and John Gain of Oxford, Pa.

Carol and Gerard Barton of Westfield are the paternal grandparents.



MRS. THOMAS TURNER BUTTS  
(She is the former Miss Robin Vannoy Smittle)

## Miss Robin Vannoy Smittle Weds Thomas Turner Butts

Miss Robin Vannoy Smittle, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Richard B. Smittle of Clear Brook, Va., formerly of Westfield, was married on Saturday, November 25, to Thomas Turner Butts. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley S. Chopski of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Butts, Sr. of West Hickory, Pa.

The afternoon ceremony took place in the Unity United Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh, with the Reverend Frank Deluce officiating. A reception followed at the Ramada Inn in Pittsburgh.

Escorted down the aisle by her father and given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a floor-length, white satin, A-line scooped neck gown with cap sleeves. An encrusted band of crystals and pearls accented the neckline, sleeves, hemline and chapel-length train. Covered buttons extended from the back scooped neckline to the end of the train.

Complementing her gown was an elbow-length veil banded in satin and held by a crystal and pearl encrusted modified headband. She carried a Euro-wrapped bouquet of Eskimo roses, mini calla lilies, white stock, white lisianthus and Queen Anne's lace.

Miss Molly Brown of Charlestown, W. Va., a sorority sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridal attendants included Miss Erin Brown of Pittsburgh and Miss Stephanie Brown of Boynton Beach, Fla., both sorority sisters of the bride; Miss Courtney Billeter of Paden City, W. Va., a cousin and sorority sister of the bride; Miss Lisa Pitelka of Naperville, Ill. and Miss Beth Harmon of Murrysville, Pa.

All the attendants wore floor-length, sleeveless, A-line berry matte satin gowns with a bateau neckline and accents of berry satin at the neck and waistline, with matching stoles.

They carried Euro-wrapped bouquets of Anna roses, pink stock, pale pink lisianthus and heather.

Miss Charlotte Smittle of Winchester, Va., the niece of the bride, was the flower girl. She wore a floor-length gown of pewter satin overlaid with pewter organza, with a jewel neckline and puffed sleeves. At the waist was a berry sash tied in a bow in the back. Her pewter basket was decorated with pink lisianthus, pink stock and heather and contained Eskimo rose petals.

Paul Asturi of Pittsburgh was the best man. Serving as groomsmen were Ron Goehring of Madison, Wis., Ken O'Shea and Rob Lauff, both of Verona, Pa.; Adam Karaffa and John Skirdich, both of Penn Hills, Pa., and Dr. Jeff Patraca of Murrysville. Ernie Fischer of Penn Hills, the nephew of the bridegroom, was the ring bearer.

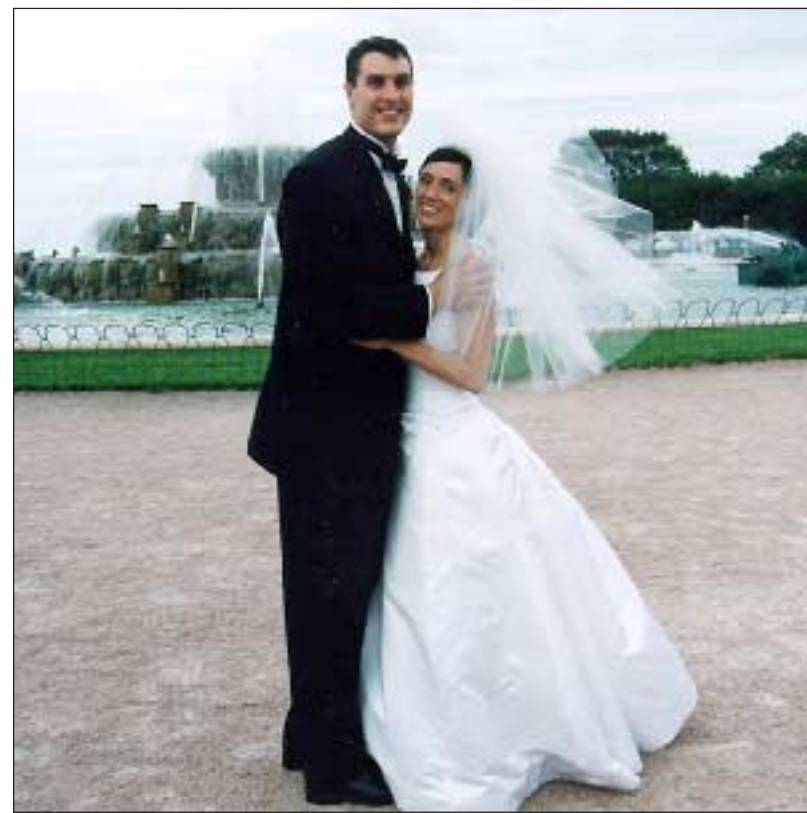
A graduate of Conrad Weiser High School in Robeson, Pa. and West Virginia University in Morgantown, W. Va., the bride served with Chi Omega Fraternity as a pledge trainer and personnel officer. She is employed as a purchasing agent with Exonic Systems, Inc. in Pittsburgh.

The bridegroom, who graduated from Penn Hills High School in Penn Hills, served six years in the United States Navy. He is employed as an account executive with Business Alternatives in Pittsburgh.

A Bride and Bridesmaids Get Together Weekend was hosted by the mother of the bride at her home.

Showers were also hosted by Mrs. Paul Feldmeier at her home in Paden City, W. Va., and by Miss Erin Brown and Miss Beth Harmon in Penn Hills. The rehearsal dinner was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Chopski at the American Legion in Penn Hills.

Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple reside in Penn Hills.



MR. AND MRS. KEVIN MICHAEL RANKIN  
(She is the former Miss Laura Elizabeth Holliday)

## Miss Laura Elizabeth Holliday Weds Kevin Michael Rankin

Miss Laura Elizabeth Holliday, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Holliday of Westfield, was married on Saturday, June 17, to Kevin Michael Rankin. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Rankin of Green Bay, Wis.

The afternoon ceremony took place at St. Clement Roman Catholic Church in Chicago, with the Reverend Kenneth Simpson officiating. A reception followed at the Hotel Inter-Continental in Chicago.

Escorted down the aisle by her father, the bride wore a Vera Wang gown of Duchess Satin and carried a bouquet of summer flowers.

Ms. Karin Garvey of New York City was the maid of honor. Serving as bridal attendants were Mrs. Kelly McKane of Washington, D.C., Ms. Suzanne Sims of San Francisco, Ms. Tracy Diemer of New York City and Ms. Amy Rankin of Green Bay, the sister of the bridegroom.

Darren Rankin of San Francisco was his brother's best man. The ushers included Ryan Rankin of Green Bay, also a brother of the

bridegroom, Jake Haunty of Redmont, Washington, Michael Wright of Morris, Ill. and Michael Holliday of Bedminster, the brother of the bride.

The bride graduated from Westfield High School in 1990, from Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill., in 1994 and from Northwestern University Law School in Chicago in 1999. She was until recently an associate in the Chicago law firm of Sidley and Austin.

The bridegroom is a 1990 graduate of Abbot Pennings High School in De Pere, Wis., and a 1994 graduate of Northwestern University. For the past six years, he has played professional basketball in the European Basketball League and is presently playing for a team in Italy.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bridegroom at Salvatore's in Chicago. Bridal showers were held in Green Bay, Chicago and Short Hills.

Following a wedding trip to Ireland, the couple reside in Milan, Italy, and in Chicago.

## Welcome Wagon to Hold 'Great Escape' February 7

WESTFIELD — The Welcome Wagon Club of the Westfield area has announced its upcoming roster of winter activities.

Each month, there is a ladies' night out event called the "Great Escape." On Wednesday, February 7, club members will attend a cooking demonstration class at Classic Thyme in Westfield, during which appetizer recipes will be showcased.

The club's newly-formed 40+ Group will kick off its new interest group by holding a "Cocktail and Hors d'oeuvres Soiree" on Saturday, February 17.

Couples' Night Out is set for the following Saturday, February 24. Members and their spouses will meet at Crossroads in Garwood for Cajun cuisine, accompanied by live jazz, blues, rhythm and blues and funk music.

The club's "International Interest Group" will join the couples for this event.

For children, the club will hold an ice skating event at Warinanco Ice Skating Center in Roselle on Saturday, February 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. Adult club members and their children are invited to take part in this activity.

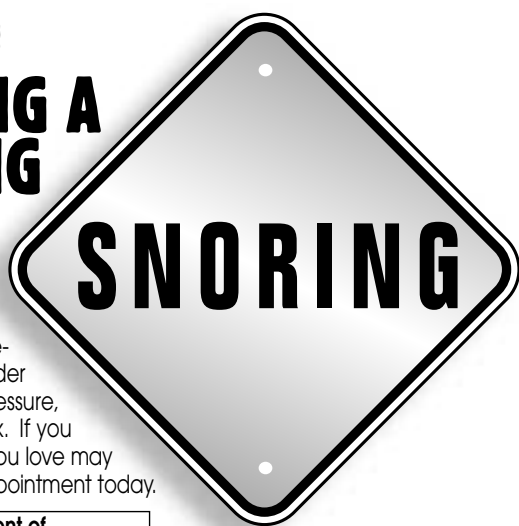
Welcome Wagon member Julia DeSantis, a former professional ice skater, will be at the rink to offer free skating lessons.

The club holds monthly activities such as children's story hours, book discussions and movie nights. Monthly dinners are offered for members to gather together for a night out and to try the cuisine of a new restaurant.

In addition, the club offers play groups, walking groups, participation in community service projects and fundraising events.

For more information about the club or how to join, please call Renee at (908) 232-1646 or Christine at (908) 518-1910, or visit [www.westfield-nj.com/welcome](http://www.westfield-nj.com/welcome) on the Internet.

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