



MR. AND MRS. MATTHEW G. FARLEY  
(She is the former Miss Karen Lynne Cavanaugh)

## Miss Karen Lynne Cavanaugh Marries Matthew G. Farley

Miss Karen Lynne Cavanaugh, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cavanaugh of Northville, Mich., was married on Saturday, July 7, to Matthew Griffiths Farley. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Terrence Farley of Westfield.

The ceremony and reception were held at the La Fonda Hotel in Santa Fe, N.M.

Ms. Pamela Cavanaugh of Bettendorf, Iowa, the sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. Peter Farley of Summit was the best man for his brother.

Serving as ushers were Russell Walker of Chicago, Christopher Maddock of Geneva, Switzerland and Gregory Cruger of Boulder, Colo., all formerly of Westfield, and Theodore Lyman of Hyde Park, Mass.

The bride is a nurse in the Trauma Intensive Care Unit of University

### Mikulas Welcome Rae Morrow

Lori and Jeffrey Mikula of Scotch Plains have announced the birth of their daughter, Rae Morrow Mikula, on Friday, December 8, 2000 at John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison.

Rae weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces and measured 20 inches in length at birth.

The baby's maternal grandparents are Joyce and Jim Burchfield of Sewell, formerly of Scotch Plains.

Her paternal grandparents are Carol and John Mikula of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Hospital in Albuquerque, N.M. and the bridegroom is a teacher of biology at Rio Rancho High School in Albuquerque.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the parents of the bridegroom at the Hotel Loretto in Santa Fe for the bridal party and out-of-town family members and guests.

Following a wedding trip to Anguilla, British West Indies, the couple resides in Albuquerque.

### SP-F Historical Society Plans Halloween Bash

FANWOOD - The Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood will present a program on Tuesday, October 23, at 8 p.m. on the origins of Halloween and its connection to All Souls Day.

Ginger Bishop, Connie Klock and Irmenia Meadows, all members of the Historical Society, will present the program at the Fanwood train station, located at North and Martine Avenues.

All are invited to attend and may come in costume and share their own stories. Included in the program will be some traditional Halloween games, such as bobbing for apples and biting swinging doughnuts. Apple cider and doughnuts will be served.

Further information about the Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood may be obtained from its President, Richard Bousquet, at P.O. Box 261, Scotch Plains 07076, or by calling (908) 232-1199.

## New Director Welcomed By CONTACT We Care

AREA - CONTACT We Care, a 24-hour telephone crisis hotline based in Union County, has announced the hiring of a new Executive Director, Katherine Feeks of Far Hills.

"Ms. Feeks brings a wealth of experience in social services, community service and education to her new position at CONTACT," said Laurie Groves, President of CONTACT We Care.

"Her tremendous professionalism, knowledge of volunteer-based organizations and commitment to our 26-year-old crisis hotline will serve our agency well. We are thrilled to have her at the helm," Ms. Groves added.

Prior to CONTACT We Care, Ms. Feeks served as Executive Director for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Ocean County, a start-up agency based in

Toms River.

She was responsible for obtaining initial affiliation approval from the national office, as well as developing the program, building community support and managing all fundraising efforts.

A graduate of Manhattanville College in Purchase, N.Y., with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Russian Studies, Political Science and Women's Studies, Ms. Feeks spent many years in education and as an active community service volunteer.

As the Director of Library Services for an elementary school in Hopewell Junction, N.Y., she created and managed a complete library program for more than 400 students.

Her extensive volunteer history in New York and New Jersey includes work for the Coastal Caregivers, the Dutchess County Historical Society, Mid-Hudson Children's Museum, Briarcliff Manor Board of Education, the United Way and the Girl Scouts, among others.

"I am thrilled to take on this leadership role with such a valuable and crucial organization," said the mother of five grown children. "I am so impressed with the tremendous level of commitment and dedication I have seen at CONTACT."

CONTACT We Care is a United Way agency affiliated with CONTACT USA, Lifeline International and the American Association of Suicidology.



Katherine Feeks

## People for Animals Slates Pet Adoption for Oct. 20

WESTFIELD - People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a pet adoption event on Saturday, October 20, from 2 to 6 p.m. Cats and kittens will be available for adoption at the PETVALU store, located at 300 South Avenue in Garwood, in the Kings Shopping Mall.

Among the many cats offered for adoption will be "Chucky Chocolate," a petite, one-year-old who is spayed, current with distemper and rabies vaccinations and who has tested negative to FIV and feline leukemia.

"Chucky Chocolate" is a long-haired, black with orange tortoiseshell who is described as sweet and gentle. To adopt, or for more information, please call (908) 688-1073 and press 8 for cat adoption or visit [www.pfa.petfinder.org](http://www.pfa.petfinder.org).

Foster homes are needed for many cats and dogs. People for Animals is seeking temporary homes for at least a two-week period for cats and dogs. Food and veterinary care are provided. The foster family is asked to provide loving care.

Interested individuals are asked to call (908) 688-1073 and press 1 for dog fostering or 8 for cat fostering.

## Efforts of Westfield Student Help Celiac Disease Research

WESTFIELD - Approximately 200 people took part in a Walk for the Celiac Disease Research Fund September 30 at the Roosevelt Intermediate School track in Westfield.

Organized by Westfield High School senior Sarah Heitner, the event was held to increase awareness of Celiac Disease, an autoimmune disorder, as well as to raise moneys for the Celiac Disease Research Fund at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons.

"I think this walk is very impressive for several reasons," said Dr. Peter H.R. Green, Clinical Professor of Medicine at Columbia and one of the few recognized specialists on Celiac Disease in the United States.

"One is because of its success in raising money for research and the second is the raising of awareness. It is very common and very under-diagnosed in the United States. In Italy, they screen all children at age seven. It is regarded as a public health issue. But, in the United States, people don't

really know about it," Dr. Green stated. Also in attendance at the walk was Dianne Paley, President-elect of the national Celiac/Sprue Association, which boasts 70 chapters and 9,000 members.

"It's one of the largest autoimmune diseases. But it is not well known, so the whole thing is awareness. Awareness is growing; it's truly growing. The good thing is that there is no medicine involved; you just need strict adherence to the gluten-free diet," Ms. Paley remarked.

Sarah's goal was to increase awareness within her community, as well as to attain a personal goal of raising \$10,000. Both were achieved and exceeded.

"It's really incredible how the determination of one girl can make such an impact on the level of awareness of this disease," said Shannon Kunath of Westfield.

Those sentiments were echoed by Westfield High School senior Aaron Klinger, who stated, "I'm really glad to be a part of this."



AT THE READY...Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad emergency medical technicians, left to right, Diane Sanchez, Jeff Harris, and Daniel Sullivan, are pictured at the staging area near the Holland Tunnel on September 13, as they prepare to assist in New York City in the wake of the World Trade Center tragedy two days earlier.

## Westfield Rescue Squad Holds Annual Membership Drive

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad is conducting its Annual Membership Drive, with volunteers being sought to become EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) and telephone dispatchers. All training is provided free of charge and uniforms are included.

On September 11 and in the days following, the Westfield squad assisted in various capacities in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center. In the first week alone, squad personnel spent over 700 volunteer hours at such places as Liberty State Park, Ellis Island, Jersey City and Chelsea Piers, as well as "ground zero," the Trade Center site.

Additional volunteers were standing by in Westfield and handled all local medical calls without delay.

"No words can describe what it was like when we emerged from the Holland Tunnel and saw the residents of New York City lining the streets, clapping and cheering," stated Jeff Harris, a Westfield Rescue Squad EMT. "They had signs that said: 'Thank You,' 'You Are Our Heroes' and 'New York City Loves You.'"

"One of the most special feelings we can have is when we are helping others. Whether we receive a thank you or not, it is sufficient to know that we have made a difference," he added.

The squad offers flexible duty periods. For example, daytime duty crews are required to pull only four hours a week from the squad building. In addition, the squad provides

childcare reimbursement during duty periods.

While squad members do not receive pay for their services, the Town of Westfield provides a pension plan called LOSAP (Length Of Service Awards Program). Additionally, all squad members are covered by a term life insurance policy.

For further information, please call (908) 233-2501. Membership packets are available and may be picked up at 335 Watterson Street.

## Church to Hold Talk On Stem Cell Research

SCOTCH PLAINS - On Thursday, October 25, a discussion of Stem Cell Research will take place at the All Saints' Episcopal Church in Scotch Plains, led by Mary Ann Sharpe, a medical professional and member of the parish.

Ms. Sharpe will address such issues as the definition of stem cells, what might result from research on them and the origin of stem cell lines. There will be time for discussion.

This will be the first in a monthly series, "In By 7, Out By 9." A service of Holy Eucharist will be held in the church at 7 p.m., followed by a light supper and the discussion. The evening's activities will end at 9 p.m.

For further information or to sign up, please call the church at (908) 322-8047. All Saints' is located at 559 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains.

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BENEFIT WALK...Sarah Heitner, a Westfield High School senior, organized a September 30 walk at the Roosevelt Intermediate School track to promote awareness of Celiac Disease and raise funds for research. Pictured with her is Dr. Peter H.R. Green, Clinical Professor of Medicine at Columbia University and one of the few recognized specialists on Celiac Disease in the United States.

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