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Linda and Douglas Squires of Scotch Plains and Margaret and Joseph Davis of Colonia have announced the engagement of their children, Miss Karen Lynne Squires and Joseph Christopher Davis.

The bride-elect is a 1996 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School and a 2000 graduate of Miami University of Ohio, where she majored in marketing and minored in decision sciences. She is employed by Opinion Research Corporation in Princeton as a marketing research associate.

Her fiancé, a 1996 graduate of John F. Kennedy High School in Iselin, also graduated from Rutgers University in 2001. He is currently completing his master's degree in

civil engineering at Rutgers University, where he is also employed as a graduate assistant.

A wedding is planned for August of 2003.

Free Program Offered For Cancer Patients

SUMMIT - Overlook Hospital, 99 Beauvoir Avenue in Summit, will hold a free program entitled "I Cancer-Vive" on Mondays, April 29 to July 1, from 7 to 9 p.m. in Conference Room No. 1 at the hospital.

This series of eight classes will provide hands-on instruction in meditation and yoga, plus other techniques for boosting emotional strength to help patients cope successfully with cancer treatment.

Participants will receive a free audiotape and workbook. Space is limited to cancer patients and their caregivers. To pre-register, please call Atlantic Health System at (800) AHS-9580.

See it all on the Web www.goleader.com

Fanwood Library Highlights Movie Calendar For May

FANWOOD - The Fanwood Memorial Library's Friday Film Festival will continue through May with five new offerings.

Shown free of charge, all movies start at 7:30 p.m. in the downstairs Fanwood Room at the library, located at North Avenue and Tillotson Road.

Riding In Cars With Boys (PG-13), starring Drew Barrymore, will be presented on May 3. It follows the journey of a single mother who dreams of becoming a writer and her relationship with her son's father.

Forrest Gump (PG-13), to be offered May 10, stars Tom Hanks as a man with a low IQ who has Zelig-like, accidental encounters with some of the most pivotal people and events in America from the 1950s through the 1970s.

On May 17, *Legally Blonde* (PG-13) will feature Reese Witherspoon as a woman who sets out to win back her guy and dispel the image of the dumb blonde by enrolling at Harvard Law School.

Artificial Intelligence (PG-13) will be shown on May 24. "David," a highly-advanced robotic boy, hopes to become a real child to win back the love of his adoptive mother. Like Pinocchio, he goes on a long journey hoping to find his "Blue Fairy," that will make his dreams come true.

The movies for the month will conclude on May 31 with *Spy Kids* (PG), a combined thriller-action-comedy for the whole family. Two children discover their parents were top secret agents and become involved in their latest mission.

The films are shown on the library's large screen TV. The series is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Fanwood Memorial Library, with the cooperation of Palmer Video in Scotch Plains. For more information, please call the library at (908) 322-6400.

Eva Plinton to Receive Business Woman Award

WESTFIELD - The Union County Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc., will present Eva Plinton, previous Funeral Director of the Plinton Funeral Home in Westfield, with its Business Woman Award.

The honor will be presented during the Founders' Day Awards Luncheon this Saturday, April 27, at noon at The Westwood in Garwood.

Mrs. Plinton is a charter member of the Union County club, which was organized in 1972. She is currently retired.

Other awards to be presented that day include Professional Woman Award, Dr. Rosalind Doctor; Leadership Image Award, William Smith, and Community Service Award, James D. Ruffin.

The national club's highest award, the Sojourner Truth Award, will be presented to Juanita N. Harris, a retired educator. The club will also present scholarships and book awards to Union County graduating seniors. For ticket information, please call (973) 373-1410.

Blood Drives Posted At Area Locations

SCOTCH PLAINS - Blood drives will be held on Saturday, April 27, from noon to 5:30 p.m. at the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, located at 1340 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains, and on Thursday, May 9, from 4 to 9 p.m. at Trader Joe's, 155 Elm Street in Westfield.

The public is invited to participate. For further information, please call Marie Forrestal at (908) 276-7025.

Various Screenings Slated At Health Fair In Westfield

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Regional Health Department, along with Shop Rite of Garwood, and Stop N Shop and GNC of Westfield, will sponsor a Community Health Fair on Saturday, May 11.

The event will be held from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Westfield Municipal Building, located at 425 East Broad Street. It will be open to residents of Westfield, Fanwood, Mountainside, Garwood, Roselle Park and Springfield.

Blood work procedures will be performed by Medical Lab Diagnostics, such as CBC, SMAC, PSA and Thyroid. Pre-registration is required for these tests and there is a \$17 fee.

Additional events will include Pulmonary Function Testing by Dr. Peter Benincasa; Body Mass Index Testing by Dr. Connie Delio; Breast and Testicular Cancer Screening by Dr. Jamie Reedy; Hearing Testing by Marvin A. Kleinman, M.S. and Glaucoma Screening by Dr. Suzanne Offen.

Screenings for anemia, blood pressure, blood glucose and colon-rectal cancer, among other tests, will be offered as well.

For more information or to pre-register for the blood work, please call the Westfield Regional Health Department at (908) 789-4070, Monday through Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.



ALL-AMERICAN...Eagle Scout Bryan Cordes of Westfield presents an American Flag that flew over the nation's Capitol in Washington, D.C., to Thomas Sherry, Vice-President of the Volunteers of the Miller-Cory House Museum in Westfield. Bryan, of Troop No. 79 in Westfield, recently completed an Eagle Scout service project at the museum, including building and installing signs on the property. Also pictured are Jack Petersen of Westfield, far left, and Vincent Parlapiano of Roselle Park.

Genealogical Society Slated To Receive Gaston Award

WESTFIELD - The Genealogical Society of the West Fields will be the recipient of the 24th Annual Kenneth A. Gaston Award, presented by the Friends of the Westfield Memorial Library.

The presentation will take place on Sunday, May 5, at 1:30 p.m. at the Westfield Memorial Library, located at 550 East Broad Street.

The Gaston Award is presented each year to a group or individual who has given outstanding service to the Westfield Library.

Musical entertainment will be provided by violin and guitar duo Basia Danilov and Victor Keremedjiev, respectively, who will perform in a program featuring a blend of classical, ethnic and Russian gypsy music. The artists are currently performing with the Westfield Symphony Orchestra.

There will also be a memorial award in honor of Carol Dreizler. All past Presidents of the Friends are scheduled to be in attendance. Members of the public are invited to attend the celebration, free of charge, and refreshments will be provided.

ABC-NJ's Annual Auction Raises More Than \$100,000

WESTFIELD - The AIDS Benefit Committee of New Jersey (ABC-NJ) raised more than \$100,000 at its 14th annual auction and gala on March 9 at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield.

Proceeds from the auction will be distributed to agencies in New Jersey that provide assistance to people living with AIDS.

This year, L'Oreal underwrote the cost of the auction, with additional significant corporate support made by Pfizer, Bristol-Myers Squibb and Roche. Approximately 250 people attended the event, including special guest Gerry Cooney, a former heavyweight boxing champion.

The Healing Community at Fairview Lake in Newton received the 2002 John DeMarco Humanitarian Award, which recognizes organizations that make important contributions to individuals living with AIDS.

The Healing Community sponsors a one-week camping experi-

ence for children living with HIV/AIDS from New York and New Jersey and their families. Youngsters are able to take part in art, music, swimming, team building and health exercises.

An all-volunteer organization, ABC-NJ seeks to help people with AIDS live with comfort and dignity. The group raises funds which it then distributes to organizations that help people living with AIDS, but which may not have the ability or resources to raise substantial funds independently.

While revenues for this year's event were at a record high, expenses were kept at about the level of previous years, according to ABC-NJ. As a result, the committee will distribute \$85,000.

For more information about ABC-NJ, please call Mike Kenny, President, at (908) 232-6770, extension no. 129, or (908) 928-1600, or Alan Zakin at (973) 966-5544. Donations may be sent to ABCNJ, P.O. Box 847, Westfield 07090.

Classes to be Held For Swimming, Lifeguard Training

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, located at 1391 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains, has announced its Early Spring Learn-to-Swim Program.

Classes will meet every Monday for five weeks, from April 29 through June 10. There will be no class on May 27.

In addition, the American Red Cross (ARC) Guardstart program will be offered on Wednesdays, May 29 to June 19, from 4 to 5 p.m. Classes will provide a jumpstart into ARC lifeguard training for strong swimmers between the ages of 11 and 14 and teach the professional responsibilities of a guard.

Lifeguard training classes are also available for swimmers age 15 and older. Please call the Aquatics Department at (908) 889-8800, extension no. 219, to register or to obtain a schedule of courses.

Workshop to Focus On Return to Work

SUMMIT - The Women's Resource Center, located at 31 Woodland Avenue in Summit, will hold a workshop for individuals who are thinking of returning to work and/or changing careers.

It is designed to help participants discover their strengths and what they really want from their careers. Phyllis Lieberman, center Career Coordinator, will address issues such as the value of unpaid experiences; how to rework a resume; where to find contacts, and dealing with the concern of stale skills.

The program will be held on Tuesday, May 7, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the Women's Resource Center. The fee is \$12 for members and \$15 for non-members.

To register by Saturday, May 4, please call the center at (908) 273-2753. For information about this and similar programs, please call the center or visit www.womensource.org.

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