



TEACHER FELLOWSHIPS... School teachers from Union County were awarded fellowships by Schering-Plough Corporation in the company's Summer Institute for Teachers program. Pictured, from left to right, are: top row; Janine Wojenski, teacher; Ron Bubnowski, teacher; Robert W. Patton, senior scientist, Chris Boris, teacher liaison for the program; Jennifer Jack, teacher and Priceson Princilus, teacher, and bottom row; Marta Ferreira, Janet Peralta, Lisa Maccagno and Mary Ann Costa.

Teachers Gain Fellowships At Schering-Plough

KENILWORTH — Schering-Plough Corporation in Kenilworth awarded fellowships to eight middle school teachers from Union County for participating in the company's Summer Institute for Teachers program.

Westfield resident Jennifer Jack was one of the eight teachers that attended. Ms. Jack, a sixth-grade teacher at Harding School in Kenilworth, found out about the program through a colleague.

"He (Ms. Jack's colleague) said I would get a lot of good science background and see science in the real world. It has been a challenge and an exciting experience," Ms. Jack said.

Teachers from schools in Union, Hillside, Cranford, Roselle, Roselle Park and Kenilworth participated in the program that ran each weekday from July 1 through July 26.

The teachers each received a \$2,500

stipend. They also received \$1,000 each to purchase classroom supplies such as kits for cell simulations, mineral and animal classifications, microscopes and DNA models. Schering-Plough Research Institute and Fisher Scientific International, Inc. provided the funds for the supplies.

The teachers learned how science applies to a range of topics, including allergies, virology, microbiology and oncology. They received orientation on radiation safety and other safety techniques in the laboratory.

Participating teachers are eligible for three credits toward a master's degree from Kean University and a certificate for professional development from the state of New Jersey.

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BELLES OF IRELAND... Westfield High School student Jacqueline Burns, center, enjoys an evening out with Vanessa Generelli of Hasbrouck Heights, right, and Mary Kate Springman of Ballwin, Mo. The three are pictured at the Abbey Theatre in Dublin, where they watched the play *Da*. They were visiting Ireland through the Irish Way, an educational program for American high school students.

Burns Journeys The 'Irish Way'

WESTFIELD — Jacqueline Burns, a sophomore year at Westfield High School, recently embarked on a five-week journey to Ireland as a participant in the Irish Way program that includes sixty-one students from 21 states.

Jacqueline began her journey in Ireland at St. Kiernan's School in Kilkenny, taking classes in Irish folklore, Gaelic language, Irish and Irish-American history, music, literature, dance and sports. She also participated in field trips throughout the south and southeastern regions of Ireland.

Additionally, Jacqueline's itinerary included living for a week with an Irish family and traveling to Wesley College in Dublin. While in Dublin, she also saw a play at the Abbey Theatre, watched a Gaelic football match in Croke Park and visited the 5000-year-old site of Newgrange.

After completing classes in Dublin, Jacqueline went to Galway for the Arts Festival, spent a day on the Aran Islands and visited the Cliffs of Moher and Connemara region. Jacqueline returned to the United States on July 25.

For more information on the Irish Way program, call (973) 605-1991 or access www.iaci-usa.org.

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Capt. John Cohoon, Jr. Takes Command of Submarine Base

WESTFIELD — Captain John E. Cohoon, Jr., the son of John E. Cohoon, Sr. of Westfield, relieved Captain Walter H. Yourstone as Commanding Officer, Naval Submarine Base, Kings Bay, Ga. in a change-of-command ceremony held on July 12.

"The entire Navy knows that Kings Bay is, if not the premier, one of the premier bases in the Navy," said Captain Cohoon after the ceremony. "I'm looking forward to working with the community."

A native of Long Island, N.Y., Captain Cohoon graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1978 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Following commissioning, he completed Naval Nuclear Power training and the Submarine Officer's basic course.

Captain Cohoon's first assignment was to the Gold crew of the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine *USS Nathan Hale* (SSBN 623), where he served in a variety of division jobs from April 1980 to June 1983. The *Nathan Hale* was awarded the Submarine Squadron Eighteen Battle Efficiency "E" for 1983.

He was next assigned as First Company Officer at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. During this tour, he earned a Master of Science Degree in Administration from Central Michigan University.

Following the Submarine Officer's Advanced course in Groton, Conn., Captain Cohoon was assigned to the *USS L Mendel Rivers* (SSN 686), where he served as Navigator and Combat Systems Officer from August 1986 through September 1988. The *Rivers* won the Submarine Squadron Four Battle Efficiency "E" twice during this tour.

Captain Cohoon's next assignment was as the Engineering Officer aboard the Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine *USS Casimir Pulaski* (SSBN 633) Gold, on which he served from September 1988 until September 1990. During this tour, the *Pulaski* won the Submarine Squadron Sixteen Battle Efficiency "E" and the Atlantic Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine of the Year Award for 1989.

Captain Cohoon then served as Executive Officer on board the *USS Houston* (SSN 713) from September 1990 to November 1992. Following this tour, his next assignment was as a student at the United States Naval War College in Newport, R.I., where he graduated with a Master of Arts Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies.

After his War College tour, Captain Cohoon went on to command the *USS Buffalo* (SSN 715) from September 1994 until December 1997. During his tenure as Com-

manding Officer, the vessel made two deployments to the Western Pacific in support of fleet and national objectives.

The *Buffalo's* crew was awarded a Meritorious Unit Commendation and a Chief of Naval Operations Commendation for operations while deployed; the Submarine Squadron One Damage Control Excellence Award for 1995 and the Submarine Squadron One Tactical Excellence Award for 1997.

Following his command tour, Captain Cohoon served as the Deputy Commander for Readiness on the staff of Commander Submarine Squadron Seven at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. From June 1998 to June 2000, he served as the Head of the Manpower Resources Branch (N122) on the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations.

Captain Cohoon's last duty station was the Chief of the Strategic Nuclear Policy Branch (J-5) on the staff of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

In addition to the Meritorious Unit Commendation earned by the crew of the *USS Buffalo*, Captain Cohoon's personal awards include the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal (three awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal (three awards).

Captain Cohoon and his wife, the former Barbara Dixon of Andover, Mass., are the parents of two sons, Andrew and Marshall.

Captain Cohoon told *The Westfield Leader* and *The Times of Scotch Plains-Fanwood* in a telephone interview that "after being on the job for just one month, I am grateful for the work the sailors and civilian workers at Kings Bay are doing to support the mission of the base. Kings Bay provides the best possible services and training to the submarine crews — enabling their success. The Kings Bay team is responsible for the overall success of the subs' mission, and I'm extremely grateful for the role they play. Their success is my success. My parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cohoon from Westfield provided me with the tools to help me do the job I need to do."



Capt. John Cohoon, Jr.



MERRY MEN... The Merry men of the Old Guard of Westfield enjoyed the Annual Summer Luncheon on August 7. The Merry men Chorus and instrumental players have been a part of the Old Guard meetings from the beginning in 1933, and have performed for many other groups. Chorus and instrumental programs have typically been performed at nursing homes, hospitals, schools and churches. Pictured, above, Director Dale Juntilla congratulates longtime members Joe Harco and Harold Brennan. For more information about the Merry men, please contact Michael Shepnew at (908) 233-0572.

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