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Capt. Joseph Boscia Named Army Company Commander

WESTFIELD - United States Army Captain Joseph W. Boscia is now the Company Commander of Bravo Company (nicknamed the Barracudas) in the 20th Engineer Battalion, First Cavalry Division, at Fort Hood, Tex.

The company is a mechanized combat engineer unit that supports front line units. Its mission includes breaching and laying minefields, emplacing and reducing obstacles, conducting reconnaissance and route clearance tasks, and digging fighting positions for tanks.

In this 18-month assignment, Captain Boscia is responsible for the

leadership and management of all aspects of the 94-member company.

Prior to taking over Bravo Company, he served as Assistant Operations Officer of the 20th Engineer Battalion for 14 months. For his achievements in that position, he was awarded the Army Achievement medal.

Captain Boscia grew up in Westfield and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Dayton. He lives at Fort Hood with his wife, Nancy, and daughter, Alexis. The couple is expecting their second child in April. The captain's parents, Joe and Sue Boscia, live in Westfield.

Irish Dinner Dance Slated By Westfield Boosters

WESTFIELD — The Westfield School Boosters Association will sponsor an Irish Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 16, at the Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The dance will include a buffet catered by Clyne & Murphy. Refreshments will be served.

The Sensational Soul Cruisers, an 11-man horn group with vocalists, will provide entertainment. There will also be native Irish folk dancing.

A Sports Memorabilia Auction will also be held. Proceeds from this

fundraising event will help the Boosters Association support the scholarship and athletic programs of Westfield High School.

Tickets for the dinner-dance are available at Taylor & Love Century 21 Realtors, Kehler's Athletic Balance, Mike Toth at (732) 680-0425 or Bill Ludlum (908) 789-9083.

For more information about the organization and its sponsored activities, please contact the Westfield Boosters at P.O. Box 594, Westfield, 07091 or visit <http://westfieldnj.com/boosters>.



SENIORS SPEAK OUT...Approximately 300 seniors from Union County attended "AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) Speak Out" at the Union Senior Center to urge Congressman Ferguson to push for a prescription drug benefit in Medicare. At the podium, Sy Larson, AARP Rx Advocate, mediated discussions with Congressman Ferguson and Marilyn Askin, AARP New Jersey State President.

Westfield Recreation Events

Rhythm Social Dance: Learn the Salsa, Swing, Merengue, Cha-Cha, Hustle and more. Class runs through March 5 on Tuesdays, from 8 to 9 p.m. Cost is \$65 per couple or \$40 per person.

Mad Science Workshop: Come join the world's leading fun science provider as he creates hands-on educational science experiences. This workshop will be held on Monday, March 25, to Friday, March 29, from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost is \$100.

Discount Lift Tickets: Tickets are available for Camelback, Shawnee, Jack Frost, Blue Mountain and Mountain Creek.

NJ Nets vs. The 76ers: Saturday, March 30, at 1 p.m. The bus will depart at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$35.

Devil Hockey Tickets: Discount tickets available for The Devils vs. The Boston Bruins Sunday, April 7, at 1:05 p.m. Tickets are \$40.

Daddy Daughter Dance: Friday, April 19, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Tavern in the Park in Roselle Park. The

evening will consist of dinner, dessert, and dancing. Tickets are \$32 per person.

Family Bowling Night: Saturday, April 27, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Linden Lanes. The afternoon includes pizza, soda, shoes and two hrs of bowling. The fee is \$10 per person.

Teen Center: This program is for high school students on Friday nights from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. It features music, movies, pool tables, video games, ping-pong, foosball, air hockey, big screen television, refreshments, lounge area and special events.

Night Place: For grades 6 through 8, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. The evening features disc jockey, food, games, movies, and dancing. The cost is \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door. Future dates include February 15, March 22 and May 17.

For more information on the above programs, please contact the Recreation Department at 425 East Broad Street, (908) 789-4080 www.westfieldnj.net/wrc.

Scotch Plains Recreation Events

A Girls Softball League, Early Registration will be held from February 4-22. The cost is \$40 per person. Regular registration is held from February 25-March 1 and the fee will be \$50 per person. Leagues will depend upon enrollment and will be determined after all registration is complete. This league is for 3rd-8th grade girls. Games will be played at township fields. Days and times will be determined at a later date. Season will begin on April 6.

A Senior Bowling league is being formed and will be held on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. at Linden Lanes. Individuals must register with the Recreation Department.

There will be a Coaches Certification Program held on Wednesday, March 6 from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at the High School Multi Purpose room; arrive at 6:30 p.m. to register. This is a required program if you wish to be a coach of any sport for the Parks & Recreation Department at any time. There is no fee for Scotch Plains residents although everyone must have ID. The fee for non-residents is \$25 and can be paid the night of the program. Call 908 322-6700 ext. 221 to register.

The Spring Spelling Bee is being held on Saturday, March 9 at Park Middle School. This program is for 3rd-5th grade children. The 3rd grade will begin the competition at 9:00 a.m., 4th grade will follow

and 5th grade is last. Please register at the Recreation Office.

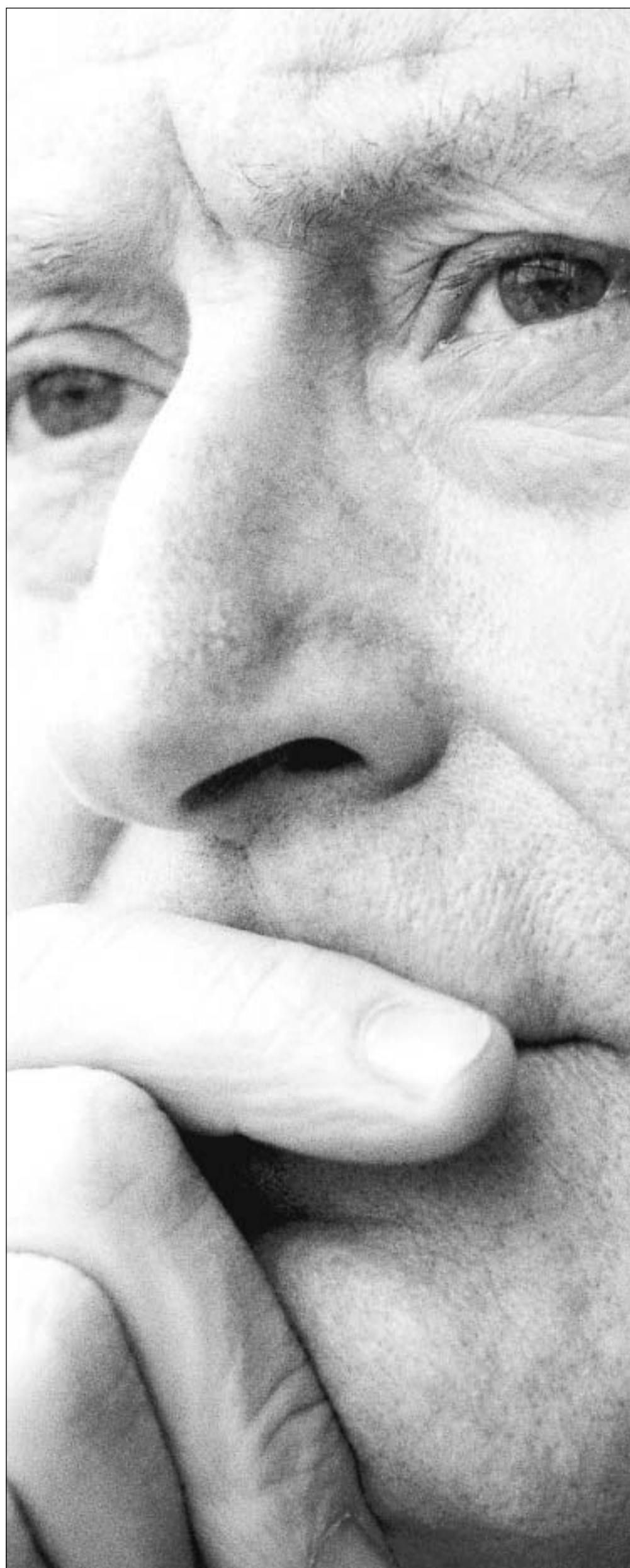
Baltimore, MD Bus trip will be Saturday April 13. The bus will leave the Municipal Building at 8:00 a.m. and travel to Baltimore. Enjoy a seafood buffet at Harborplace, take a guided tour and walk freely around the Inner Harbor. The bus will return at 9:00 p.m. The fee is \$65 per person. Register now.

Montauk, LI trip is Saturday and Sunday, April 13 and 14. Accommodations will be at the Montauk Yacht club. Lunches will be served at the club and at the Vanderbilt Estate. Tours will occur of the Duck Walk Winery, the Montauk Lighthouse, the Vanderbilt Museum and the Museum for Historic Aircraft. The fee is \$275 per person based on double occupancy.

There will be a trip to Gettysburg from August 17-20. Tour includes the battlefield, Hershey Factory, Lancaster Wax & History Museum. The fee is \$580 per person based on double occupancy.

The Recreation Department is seeking women's softball teams for this spring season to compete. If interested contact Yvette at 908 654-7131.

The Recreation Department seeks softball officials and summer park counselors. Come to the Recreation Office, if interested.



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