



David Taylor and Ms. Tanya Marks

Ms. Tanya Marks To Wed David Taylor

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor of Mountainside have announced the engagement of their son, David Taylor of San Francisco, to Ms. Tanya Marks, also of San Francisco. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry J. Love of Matthews, N.C.

The bride-elect earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, with a concentration in marketing, from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in 1992. She is employed with Sante Fe Ventures, Inc. as a video editor, edit-

ing programs for broadcast on PBS and A&E.

The future bridegroom is a 1993 graduate of George Washington University in Washington, D.C., where he received a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree with a concentration in visual communication.

He is employed as a Manager of Information Technology and Design for Fenton Communications in San Francisco.

The wedding is planned for September.

Saint Barnabas Care Center To Offer Series of Programs

AREA - The Saint Barnabas Ambulatory Care Center, located at 200 South Orange Avenue in Livingston, will present several community education programs for summer.

Son, Colin Gregory, Born to Goetz

Nikki and Gregory Goetz of Marblehead, Ohio, have announced the birth of their son, Colin Gregory Goetz, on Thursday, June 6.

Colin weighed 7 pounds and 10 ounces and measured 21 inches in length at birth.

The baby's father is a 1995 graduate of Westfield High School.

Cathy and Chuck Francis of Grove City, Ohio are Colin's maternal grandparents.

His paternal grandparents are Susan Carrigan of Basking Ridge, formerly of Westfield, and Bill and Kathy Goetz of Bedford, N.H.

Colin's maternal great-grandmother is Margie Francis of Grove City, Ohio.

William Goetz of Southbury, Conn. is his paternal great-grandfather.

"Infant Massage: Communicating Love Through Touch," will be held on Mondays, July 22 and 29, August 5, 12 and 19, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. The cost is \$100 per person.

Classes are designed for parents and babies from birth through the pre-crawling stage and includes a book, oil and class material.

"Happy Feet: An Introduction to Reflexology" will be offered free of charge on Tuesday, July 23, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

"Acupuncture," another free program, will be held on Thursday, July 25, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Participants will learn the principles of acupuncture, its basis in the traditional Chinese medicine model and its clinical applications.

To register for any of these programs, please call the Siegler Center for Integrative Medicine at (973) 322-7007.

Hamways Welcome John Alexander

Dr. and Mrs. Timothy Hamway of Mountainside have announced the birth of their son, John Alexander Hamway, on Wednesday, June 5, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

John weighed 9 pounds and 3 ounces and measured 21 1/4 inches in length at birth.

He joins his sisters, Christina Elizabeth Vari and Christina Marie Hamway.

The baby's maternal grandparents are Dr. and Mrs. Philip Bailey of Marathon, Fla., formerly of Westfield.

Mrs. Charles Hamway of North Plainfield is his paternal grandmother.

Governor McGreevey Urges N.J. Residents To Donate Blood

TRENTON - Governor James McGreevey has urged New Jersey residents to donate blood to help relieve a critical blood shortage in the area's blood banks.

Historically, donations markedly decrease in the summer around the Fourth of July.

"Every unit of blood donated can save the lives of four or five people," Governor McGreevey said.

A five-day supply of blood is considered adequate. Type O blood is the most common type and can also be given safely to persons with other blood types during emergencies.

Healthy individuals who are at least 17 years old and weigh over 110 pounds are eligible to give blood. To schedule a donation, please call the Red Cross at (800) GIVELIFE.

Hiking Club Reveals Ramble For Sunday

MOUNTAINSIDE - The Union County Hiking Club has scheduled a ramble on Sunday, July 21, at the Watchung Reservation in Mountainside. Bob Laudati will be the leader and may be reached at (908) 322-7762.

Participants will meet at 10 a.m. at the Trailside Nature and Science Center parking lot. Trailside is located at Coles Avenue and New Providence Road.

This will be a steady, moderate pace of four to five miles. For a complimentary, six-month Hiking Club schedule, please call (908) 527-4900.

Animal Council Advises Protecting One's Pets From Summer Heat

AREA -- The Governor's Domestic Companion Animal Council is reminding all residents to be extremely cautious with their pets during hot weather.

On a warm day, the interior of a parked car can reach 120 degrees in a matter of minutes, even with the windows partially open. Owners are better off leaving their pets at home than having them in the car during hot days. Even a quick stop to the grocery store could have dire consequences.

In addition to risking a pet's life, an individual could be subject to legal action and even be fined up to \$1,000 or be sentenced to six months in jail. Anyone who does spot an animal in a parked car should notify the local police or the New Jersey SPCA.

Signs of heat stress include heavy panting, glazed eyes, a rapid pulse, vomiting, or a deep red or purple tongue. When the dog is removed from the vehicle, it should be placed in the shade and patted down with cool compresses until receiving medical treatment.



SCOUTS HONOR MR. SPECHT...Gordon Specht of Boy Scout Troop No. 72 in Westfield, second from left, recently received the Patriots' Path Council "Good Scout Award" for exemplifying the ideals of Boy Scouting. Mr. Specht and his wife, Cora, are flanked by Troop No. 72 members Matthew Patel-Schneider, far left, and Ryan Maines.

Mr. Specht Is Recipient Of 'Good Scout Award'

WESTFIELD - Gordon Specht, a long-time member of Boy Scout Troop No. 72 in Westfield, recently received the Patriots' Path Council "Good Scout Award" at the Primavera Regency restaurant in Stirling.

This award is presented to individuals who, in their everyday life, exemplify the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law, including trustworthiness, loyalty and helpfulness.

Mr. Specht, a Bronze Star recipient, served as a combat engineer officer and is a veteran of both World War II and the Korean Conflict.

He received his master's degree in chemical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has been elected to a number of national honor societies, including Tau Beta Pi and Phi Lambda Upsilon.

Mr. Specht spent 33 years with Exxon, where he was manager of several divisions at the Bayway Refinery, including Engineering Services and Chemicals Coordination. He also managed the Systems Department of Enjay Chemical, Exxon's United States based chemical company located in New York City.

Later, he served on the staff of an Exxon headquarters corporate department that coordinated the company's worldwide computing activities. Mr. Specht's biography appears in *Who's Who in America*.

A Westfield resident for over 40 years, Mr. Specht has been an active adult leader with the Boy Scouts for more than 30 years. Both he and his son, Grant, have attained Eagle rank, the highest level in Boy Scouting. Grant achieved his Eagle status while in Westfield's Troop No. 78, while his father attained his rank in Iowa.

The elder Mr. Specht played an integral role in Troop No. 78 be-

tween 1968 and 1977. For the past 15 years, he has been active with Troop No. 72 of the Presbyterian Church in Westfield. He currently serves as Treasurer and is also a merit badge counselor and an Assistant Scoutmaster.

He has been Chairman of the Troop No. 72 Eagle Award ceremonies for the past 12 years. Mr. Specht has additionally raised funds for scouting by obtaining annual grants from ExxonMobil's Volunteer Involvement Program.

Along with Mr. Specht, other recipients of the "Good Scout Award" that evening were Westfield residents Dr. Ken Ciarrocca and Debbie and Darryl Walker.

Presentations were made by the ceremony Chairman, Dr. D. Michael Hart, with a color guard comprised of Troop No. 72 scouts and scout speaker Ryan Maines, an Eagle candidate.

Temple Sisterhood Notes Rummage Sale

AREA - The Sisterhood of Temple Sha'arey Shalom in Springfield will conduct its annual rummage sale in the temple's social hall, located at 78 South Springfield Avenue.

The sale dates will be Sunday, August 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Monday, August 12, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Among the items for sale will be housewares, clothing, furniture and toys. In addition, August 12 will be "Brown Bag Day." A brown grocery bag may be filled with assorted items for \$4.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, please call the temple office at (973) 379-5387.

People For Animals Seeks Loving Home For 'Bruja'

GARWOOD - People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization serving New Jersey, will sponsor a pet adoption event on Saturday, July 20, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the PET VALU store. The store is located at 300 South Avenue in Garwood, in the Kings Shopping Center.

Among the many cats available for adoption will be "Bruja," a two-year-old tortoiseshell cat with green eyes. Bruja has a soft gray and pale orange shorthaired coat, is spayed,

current with her vaccinations and has tested negative for FIV and feline leukemia. She is described as very "people friendly" and best as an only pet.

To adopt or for other information, please call (908) 688-1073 and press 8 for cat adoption or 1 for dog adoption. Other pets needing homes may be viewed at www.pfa.petfinder.org.

Program to Address Prevention of Falls

AREA - "Don't Take A Tumble!" a free program designed to help senior citizens prevent falls, will be offered on Wednesday, July 24, at the Saint Barnabas Ambulatory Care Center in Livingston.

It will be held from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in Conference Room A/B of the center, located at 200 South Orange Avenue in Livingston. Free parking is available in the facility's parking garage.

Registered nurse Rosanne Togliola will demonstrate exercises to increase strength, flexibility and improve balance. Participants are advised to wear comfortable clothes. To register, please call (973) 322-7979.



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