

Parochial Vicar to Address Youth Response to Sept. 11

WESTFIELD — On Sunday, June 9, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Westfield will welcome the Reverend Joel Warden, who will lead a discussion entitled "Faith, Hope and Love After 9/11: The Youth Response."

The 5 p.m. program is open to all junior high and high school students, as well as youth ministers in the community.

Reverend Warden is Parochial Vicar of the Oratory Church of St. Boniface in Brooklyn. He has been working as a chaplain at Ground Zero and has ministered to members of the police and fire departments and to families directly affected by the terrorist attacks.

He has also been involved in youth ministries in the United States and in England, where he received his degree in theology from Oxford University in 1999.

The evening will be informal and

Anti-Semitism Forum To be Held at Temple

WESTFIELD — "Anti-Semitism Worldwide: Threat and Response" will be the focus of a public meeting sponsored by Temple Emanu-El, located at 756 East Broad Street in Westfield, on Tuesday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m.

The main speaker will be Susan Heller, Director of Middle Eastern Affairs and International Analysis for the Anti-Defamation League.

Ms. Heller evaluates and interprets Middle Eastern and international issues and events and develops ADL positions and programs on these matters.

She serves as a Liaison to the Jewish community, media and government on issues such as the peace process, terrorism, United States-Israel relations, international anti-Semitism and extreme nationalism.

Hundreds Join Walk For March of Dimes

AREA — Hundreds of people from Union County businesses, organizations and neighborhoods participated in the March of Dimes WalkAmerica 2002.

The event took place on April 28 at Union County College in Cranford and raised \$78,000 for the March of Dimes, which works to prevent birth defects and infant mortality.

Aquatics Programs Are Offered by JCC

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey has announced that an American Red Cross Learn-to-Swim program will be held at the Wilf Jewish Community Campus, located at 1391 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains.

The program will begin on Sunday, July 7, and end on Thursday, August 15. Classes will meet once a week for six weeks. Openings are available for all ages and all abilities.

The Water Exercise Program will continue this summer. Classes will meet for six weeks, Tuesdays from 7 to 7:45 p.m. or Wednesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. Advance registration is required.

The American Red Cross new Life-guard Training Course is available to both members and non-members. Class dates are July 2, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25 and 30, from 5 to 9 p.m. Registration must be received before Tuesday, June 25.

For more information or to register for these programs, please call the Aquatics Department at (908) 889-8800, extension no. 219.

'Animal Friendly' Plate On Sale at DMV Sites

AREA — A new "Animal Friendly" license plate is now on sale at New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicle offices. It was designed by syndicated "Mutts" cartoonist Patrick McDonnell, a New Jersey native.

Forty dollars from the sale of each license plate goes to the state's dedicated Animal Population Control Fund, to spay and neuter dogs and cats of people receiving some form of public assistance, as well as animals adopted from humane societies, shelters and municipal pounds. The annual \$10 renewal fee is also used for this purpose.

Personal Image Class Set to Help Women Coping With Cancer

SUMMIT — Overlook Hospital in Summit will offer a free class in personal image enhancement for women undergoing cancer treatment, entitled "Look Good, Feel Better."

The class, which is open to all women with cancer, will be held at the hospital on Mondays, July 1 and August 12, from 10 a.m. to noon in Conference Room 2 both days.

Trained volunteers from the American Cancer Society will provide advice on skin care, makeup, wig selection and turban styling.

Pre-registration is required and may be done by calling Atlantic Health Systems at (800) 247-9580.

all young people are welcome. For further information, please call Diana Chabrier at (908) 232-5607.

Holy Trinity Seniors Post Meeting, Trips

WESTFIELD — The Senior Social Club of the Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church in Westfield will hold its final meeting of the season on Monday, June 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the gymnasium/auditorium of the elementary school. A catered luncheon will be served.

A trip to Philadelphia is scheduled on Monday, June 24. Planned activities include a boat ride aboard the *Spirit of Philadelphia*, a visit to the refurbished Church of St. Joseph and a tour of the city's historical section. Lunch will be included.

During Monday's meeting, there will be an opportunity to sign up for a September trip to a mining town in Pennsylvania that has been turned into a tourist center. A luncheon will take place at the Old Stage Coach Inn.

Woodside Chapel Posts Bible School Dates

FANWOOD — The Woodside Chapel, located at 5 Morse Avenue in Fanwood, will host its annual Vacation Bible School from Monday through Friday, June 24 to 28.

The day program is organized for children entering kindergarten through sixth grade, while a newly designed teen program will be offered in the evenings for those entering grades 7 to 12.

The morning theme will be a Son Canyon River Adventure that includes singing, Bible lessons, crafts, snacks, games and prizes.

A closing program will be held on Friday night, in which the Vacation Bible School youngsters will perform for their parents and friends.

For more information, please call Fiona Rachel at (908) 889-4680 or visit www.woodsidechapel.org.

St. Paul's to Conduct Annual Sale June 20-22

WESTFIELD — St. Paul's Episcopal Church will host its annual fall Boutique and Rummage Sale from Thursday to Saturday, June 20 to 22.

Items will sell at full price on Thursday and reduced price on Friday. Saturday will be a \$5 Bag Day. Admission is free and all are welcome.

The boutique will once again feature antiques, jewelry, china, silver and glass, along with nearly new and designer clothing. This spring, items from three estates will be available.

General inventory will include clothing, linens, accessories, lamps, kitchenware and other gently-used items. Children's furniture and toys, as well as infant and children's clothing, will be offered as well.

Clothing items for donation can be dropped off from Monday through Wednesday, June 17 to 19, at the Parish Hall.

Through the Rummage Sale, St. Paul's outreach program provides inexpensive clothing and goods for people in local communities. Unsold items are sorted and distributed to social service agencies within Union County and to other disaster relief organizations.

The entrance to the sale will be from the alcove entrance outside the Parish Hall on St. Paul's Street in Westfield. St. Paul's Church is located at 414 East Broad Street.



MILESTONE MORNING... Tenth-grade students reached a milestone in their religious education May 18 when they were confirmed at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield. Pictured with the students, in front row, second from left, are: Song Leader Barry Merer, Rabbi Mary Zamore, Cantor Martha Novick, Rabbi Charles A. Krolloff, Rabbi Renee Edelman and Tamara Ruben, Reform Jewish Educator.

Area Students Confirmed At Temple in Westfield

WESTFIELD — Forty-four 10th grade students were confirmed on May 18 during Shabbat Morning at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield.

During the Confirmation year, the students explored and debated issues of Jewish theology and philosophy; studied Jewish history and holidays and spent four days immersing themselves in social justice at the Religious Action Center for Reform Judaism in Washington, D.C.

Reaching the 10th grade year of religious school is considered an important milestone in a student's Jewish education.

The students, who are residents of Westfield, Scotch Plains, Cranford and Springfield, included:

Matthew Hodges, Tyler Seeger, Joshua Schoenfeld, Alexander Bregman, David Spett, Brad Cantor, David Altschuler, Matthew Carlin, Matthew Schoenfeld, Andrew Spiegel, Sam Gurdus, Michael Salomon, David Riggs, Sean Perlman, Adam Greenwald, Jason Mesches and Benjamin Solomon.

Rebecca Shottland, Rebecca Sabreen, Samantha Tarnofsky, Lily Flast, Laura Shelman, Sarah Liebowitz, Melissa Rosen, Erica Raiff, Amanda Reider, Benjamin Bogen, Eric Whitman and Nina Baker.

Generation of Xcellence To Recognize Students

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Generation of Xcellence Youth Club, an affiliate of the New Jersey State Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, Inc., will hold its First Annual "Rites of Passage" Ceremony and Celebration Dinner tomorrow, Friday, June 7, at 7 p.m. at Pines Manor, located on Route 27 in Edison.

This activity will culminate a six-week instructional program that included weekly meetings held at St. John's Baptist Church in Scotch Plains and volunteer work in support of various community service projects and activities.

Approximately 15 students are expected to receive their certification. This program has been conducted under the leadership of State Youth Supervisor Lisa Easley and Professor Yvonne Nambu from William Patterson College.

The public is invited to attend. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$25 for youth under 12. For further information, please call Lisa Easley at (908) 322-4457.

Two Presbyterian Churches Plan Vacation Bible Camp

WESTFIELD — "God's Great Gallery," a vacation Bible camp for children ages three years old through fifth grade, will be co-sponsored in July by The Presbyterian Church in Westfield and the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church in Scotch Plains.

The camp will be held Monday through Friday, July 15 to 19, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at the Scotch Plains church.

"It will be a wonderful opportunity for children to hear Bible stories, make crafts, learn new songs and make new friends," said Wende Thode, an Associate Pastor of the

Westfield church, who is helping to plan the program.

"It will be a week of fellowship, faith-building, and fun. We will also participate in a mission project for The Heifer Project, a world-wide organization that provides animals, trees and insects to enable families and communities to provide for themselves," she added.

She noted that there will be a special Family Night on Thursday, July 18, for parents and children.

Parents may obtain registration forms for their children at the office of either church. There is a fee of \$7 per child.

Pet Adoption on Tap Saturday In Garwood

GARWOOD — People for Animals will sponsor a pet adoption event this Saturday, June 8, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the PÉT VALU store, 300 South Avenue in Garwood.

Among the featured cats will be "J.P.," a six-month-old, short-haired white cat with orange markings. He is neutered, current with his vaccinations and has tested negative for FIV and feline leukemia.

To adopt or for other information, please call (908) 688-1073 and press 8 for cat adoption and 1 for dog adoption.

Church Holds Meetings For Singles Over 45

WESTFIELD — Widowed, divorced or never-married individuals over age 45 are invited to attend weekly discussions on single living on Sundays at 9 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Westfield. Coffee and cake are included.

Other activities include winter movie nights, summer picnics, holiday get-togethers and more.

Meetings take place in the lower level meeting room of the church, located at 170 Elm Street. A \$2 donation is requested and all are welcome. For more information, please call (908) 889-5265 or (908) 889-4751.

Corporate Sponsors Sought For Interfaith Golf Outing

AREA — The Interfaith Council for the Homeless of Union County, Inc. is seeking corporate sponsors for its Fourth Annual Golf Classic on Monday, September 9, at the Stanton Ridge Country Club in Whitehouse.

This year's event will benefit the Interfaith Councils for the Homeless of Union, Morris and Somerset Counties.

There are three ways that local businesses can participate in this event: One is the Major Corporate Sponsor Package, for \$2,500, which includes four golf reservations, a free Mulligan per golfer, four lunch buffets, admission for four to the cocktail hour, dinner for four, a banner indicating the business's participation as a lunch or dinner sponsor, one hole sponsorship, a full page ad in the dinner program and a one-page insert in the give-away bags.

They will also get their company's logo and web page link on the Interfaith Council's website, as a Major Sponsor, for the tournament.

Second, they can sponsor other

items such as a beverage cart (\$300) or bag tag (\$500). Hole sponsorships are available for \$200 each. They can also sponsor ads in the golf journal, given to all golfers at the dinner and in their "goody bag." Ad prices vary by size.

Third, businesses and corporations can donate items for golfer giveaways. Small, personal-type items can be included in the "goody bag" and larger items can be raffled off as prizes. All donations will be acknowledged in the golf journal and major donations will include sponsorship credit.

For more information, please call (908) 753-4001, extension no. 12; send an e-mail to www.interfaith-council.org or visit www.interfaith-council.org/golf on the Internet.

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