

# Westfield Public Works Unveils 2002 Project List

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WESTFIELD — The Department of Public Works in Westfield has revealed the list of road projects for 2002, which includes projects that have been approved by the Town Council and have not been completed. The list will be updated when more accurate dates for the work are set and projects are completed.

The smaller streets, such as Hanford Place through Tamaques Way on the list, were set as one project for bidding purposes, but will be performed over several months. All of the roads will not be under construction at the same time.

According to Councilman and Chairman of the Public Works Committee, Lawrence Goldman, each year, the State of New Jersey funds a road improvement project through the Transportation Trust Fund.

These roads are generally those that are considered to have high-traffic volumes. This year's road is the portion of Lawrence Avenue. Prospect Street will be repaved in

2003, and has been submitted for the Transportation Trust Fund.

The dredging projects at Tamaques Park and Gregory's Pond are currently on hold, due to the drought restrictions currently in effect.

Mayor Gregory McDermott and the Public Works Committee of the Town Council have worked with the Town Engineer and Assistant Town Engineer to accelerate the process of beginning projects approved as part of the capital budget process.

In past years, many approved projects were not bid on and started until late in the year or the next year after approval. This year, some of the projects approved this spring will be completed during the summer months.

We at The Westfield Leader and The Times would like to thank Councilman Lawrence Goldman, Town Administrator James Gildea and Assistant Town Engineer Kris McAloon, for taking time to compile this list of projects and submit it for publication.



**SPECIAL RECOGNITION...** During the recent Spring Assembly of Westfield's five history-related organizations, volunteer participation recognition grants from the ExxonMobil Foundation were presented by Exxon retiree George Gross, left, to Bob Miller, Vice President of the Westfield Historical Society, center, and William Millar, Vice President of the West Fields Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. Other Spring Assembly participants were the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Genealogical Society of the West Fields and the Miller-Cory House Museum, this year's host group.

## Assemblyman Thomas Kean Chosen as 2002 Toll Fellow

WESTFIELD — Assemblyman Thomas H. Kean, Jr. (R-21) is one of 40 emerging state leaders na-

tionwide to be selected for the Toll Fellowship Program, sponsored by The Council of State Governments (CSG).

The program will be held from Saturday, September 28, through Thursday, October 3, in Lexington, Ky. An annual program, it is named in honor of Henry Toll, a Colorado state senator in the 1920s who founded the CSG in 1933.

The program is aimed at developing the next generation of leaders from all three branches of state government. This year's program will focus on trends and critical thinking, as well as professional growth and development opportunities.

"Being selected for a Toll Fellowship — the premier leadership development program for state government officials in the nation — is an extreme honor," Assemblyman Kean said.

"I look forward to taking part in this program in the fall and becoming an even more effective elected representative for the people of the 21st Legislative District," he added.

Assemblyman Kean was nominated by State Senator Richard H. Bagger (R-21), with endorsements from Senator Joseph M. Kyrillos (R-13), State Republican Chairman, and Assemblyman Paul DiGaetano (R-36), Assembly Republican Leader.

Assemblyman Kean was selected from a long list of applicants by a committee of state elected and appointed officials as one of the most promising leaders of New Jersey state government.

Mr. Kean was appointed to fill a vacancy in the State Assembly in April of 2001. He was elected to a full, two-year term last November and is a member of the State Assembly Budget and State Government Committees.

The Assemblyman also is Chairman of the Assembly Republican Policy Committee.

# Low Cost Prescription Drug Cards Available For Seniors

SCOTCH PLAINS — Assemblywoman Linda Stender urges eligible seniors to take advantage of the Together Rx Card, which is being offered to low-income seniors. The Together Rx Card would allow Medicare enrollees without public or private prescription drug coverage and incomes under \$28,000 for single individuals or \$38,000 for couples to qualify for a 20 to 40 percent reduction in prescription drug costs. This program goes into effect as of June 2002.

"The rising cost of prescription medications is one of the biggest concerns facing senior citizens. Many seniors living on fixed incomes have to make the choice between paying for prescription drugs or putting food on the table," said Stender, (R-22). "The card makes it easier for seniors who lack prescription drug coverage to access the medications they need."

It is simple and convenient to apply. The card is free and there is no annual fee for participating in Together Rx. Additionally, seniors will receive the savings at the pharmacy counter, making this program simple and easy to use. The card is accepted

by many of the pharmacy retailers in our community including Walmart, Rite Aid, Walgreens, Target, and Costco. Several leading pharmaceutical companies are collaborating to offer this cost savings covering over 150 medications. Senior will be able to receive medications for a wide range of common conditions including diabetes, hypertension, high cholesterol, cancer, allergy, asthma, arthritis and depression.

"The Together Rx Card will help seniors to enhance their quality of life by accessing prescription drug coverage that has been quite limited until now," said Stender. "I want to make sure seniors in my district are kept well informed of state programs designed to help maximize the benefits available to them."

Eligible senior citizens may apply for the Together Rx Card by calling 1-800-865-7211 or online at [www.together-rx.com](http://www.together-rx.com). Applications are also available at the office of Assemblywoman Linda Stender located in Scotch Plains at 1801 East Second Street. The office can be reached Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (908) 668-1900.

### TOWN OF WESTFIELD 2002 PROPOSED PROJECTS

PROJECT	DESCRIPTION
<b>CURB REPLACEMENT - VARIOUS STREETS</b> - STANISH AVENUE (BIRCH - CEDAR TERRACE) - COLEMAN PLACE (DUDLEY AVENUE - SENECA)	REPLACEMENT OF CONCRETE CURB WITH GRANITE BLOCK CURB REPLACEMENT OF CONCRETE CURB WITH GRANITE BLOCK CURB
<b>SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - VARIOUS LOCATIONS</b>	REPLACEMENT OF DETERIORATED CONCRETE/BLUESTONE WALKS
<b>VARIOUS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS</b> DICKSON DRIVE CHANNING AVENUE HANFORD PLACE (EDGEWOOD TO DEAD END) FOREST AVENUE (SENECA TO LONGFELLOW) DUDLEY COURT MAYE STREET KIMBALL TURN (ENTIRE LENGTH) TOPPING HILL ROAD (KIMBALL AVE. TO WYCHWOOD) CANTERBURY ROAD (KIMBALL AVE. TO WINYAH) SUMMIT AVENUE (PARK TO WASHINGTON) PINE STREET (COLUMBUS TO TOWNLINE) BOYNTON AVENUE (PEARL TO TWIN OAKS) CLOVER STREET (CENTRAL TO BOULEVARD) PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE KNOLLWOOD TERRACE (CURB REPLACEMENT AREA) EDGAR ROAD (LYNWOOD TO RAHWAY) TAMAQUES WAY (ARDSLEIGH TO NORWOOD) LAWRENCE AVE. SECTION 1 (HILLSIDE AVE. TO MOUNTAIN AVE.) **FUNDED THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION TRUST FUND** SCOTCH PLAINS AVE. (W. BROAD ST. - DARTMOUTH) DUDLEY AVE. WEST PARK STREET RAHWAY AVENUE TRAFFIC CALMING	GRANITE BLOCK CURB, ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING GRANITE BLOCK CURB AND RESURFACING GRANITE BLOCK CURB, ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING RESURFACING SHOULDER REPAIRS/RESURFACING SHOULDER REPAIRS/RESURFACING SHOULDER REPAIRS/RESURFACING RESURFACING RESURFACING GRANITE BLOCK CURB, ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING RESURFACING RESURFACING GRANITE BLOCK CURB AND RESURFACING MICRO-SURFACING GRANITE BLOCK CURB AND RESURFACING
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NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, ALL PROJECTS ARE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN BY THE END OF JUNE, AND ARE SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, WEATHER PERMITTING.

### Scotch Plains Recreation Events

**Tennis Ladders:** will be formed depending upon registrations for men's and women's singles and doubles and seniors as well. There is a \$5.00 registration fee. For all those interested there will be a meeting on Tuesday May 7 at the Scotch Hills Country Club at 7 p.m. to discuss the details of the program.

**Overnight Vacation Trips:** are sponsored by Scotch Plains, Mountainside and New Providence Recreation Departments. The trips are as follows: August 17 to 20 to Gettysburg and Pigeon Forge, Tenn. in September 28 to October 4. For further details, contact the Recreation office at (908) 322-6700, ext. 221.

**Summer Programs:** will include but are not limited to Parks Program, Small Fry Summer Program, Basketball clinic, tennis lessons, trip to see Somerset Patriots Ball game, Teen Club Night, Teen White Water Rafting trip, golf clinics and tournaments, adult yoga, senior aerobics and adult dance and much more, keep your eyes open for the summer brochure which you will receive in May.

**Teen Club Night:** Will be held on Friday June 7 at the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School from 8 p.m.

to Midnight. All students, 13 through 18, who attend the High School are invited. Activities include, DJ, Human Foosball, Rock Climbing Wall and Virtual Reality as well as refreshments. This program is sponsored by The Scotch Plains Recreation Commission and by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Municipal Alliance and funded by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the UCDHS Division of Planning.

**The High School Moonglowers Music Group:** will be performing on Wednesday, June 12 on the Village Green at 7 p.m. This is a free concert provided to the residents of the community.

**The Cultural Arts Concert Series:** will begin on Thursday, July 11 and will conclude on Thursday, August 29. All shows will be held on the Village Green at 430 Park Avenue. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved indoors to the High School Auditorium. Concert performances include but are not limited to: Jim Barone as Elvis, Teddy Halek with a tribute to Frank Sinatra, Beatlemania, and The Nerds! You won't want to miss it! Bring a chair and a blanket and relax under the stars.



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