

## LEARN to Offer Program On 'Emerging Pathogens'

SCOTCH PLAINS - The League for Educational Advancement for Registered Nurses (LEARN) will hold a program entitled "Emerging Pathogens - Everyone's Concern" on Monday, November 25, at 7:45 p.m. at the Parish House of the All Saints' Church, located at 559 Park Avenue in Scotch Plains.

Marie Kassai, Manager of Infection Control and Customer Satisfaction at General Hospital Center in Passaic, will be the guest speaker.

A not-for-profit professional organization for New Jersey registered nurses, LEARN offers eight programs per academic year on current nursing topics. Each program provides Continuing Education Contact Hours through the New Jersey State Nurses Association.

This program has been approved for 2.4 contact hours. In addition, for school nurses, the New Jersey Department of Education, Professional Standards Board, has granted Professional Development Hours.

Annual LEARN membership for registered nurses is \$40. Interested individuals are invited to attend for a guest fee of \$10 per program. For information, please write to: LEARN, P.O. Box 6, Scotch Plains 07076 or call (908) 754-9499 or (908) 272-7239.

### Historical Society To Hold Program On Herbal Wreaths

FANWOOD - The Historical Society of Scotch Plains and Fanwood will hold its annual crafting program at its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 26, at 8 p.m. at the Fanwood train station.

Volunteer docents and gardeners of the Cannonball House Museum in Scotch Plains will demonstrate how to make kitchen herbal wreaths.

All are welcome. The charge for herb wreath kits assembled by the volunteers will be \$3 for Historical Society members and \$5 for non-members. Refreshments and fellowship will follow the craft program. The train station is located at North and Martine Avenues.

Further information about the Historical Society may be obtained from its President, Richard Bousquet, at P.O. Box 261, Scotch Plains 07076 or by calling (908) 232-1199.



Mr. and Mrs. Eugene F. Gatens

## Mr. and Mrs. Gatens Feted On Golden Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene F. Gatens of Fanwood celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a surprise party given by their children and their spouses September 27 at O'Connor's Beef 'N Ale House in Watchung.

The couple's children include Cathy Colon of Scotch Plains, Christopher Gatens and Gene Gatens, both of Brick; Adele Gatens of Plainfield, Patricia Rush of South Plainfield, John Gatens of Middletown and Terrence Gatens of Los Angeles. They also have nine grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Gatens were married on September 27, 1952 in the Church of the Holy Cross in Brooklyn. A reception followed at the home of the bride, the former Miss Adele Ritchie.

Mrs. Gatens, a graduate of the College of Mount Saint Vincent in Riverdale, N.Y., taught at Holy Trinity Elementary School in Westfield.

During her career, she also was Chairwoman of the Department of Mathematics at Union Catholic High School in Scotch Plains. She is now retired.

Mr. Gatens retired from the New York Life Insurance Company as Pension Field Vice President. He is a United States Navy veteran and a graduate of St. Lawrence University in Canton, N.Y.

### Red Cross Conducts Thanksgiving Drive To Benefit Needy

COUNTY - The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross is collecting food to distribute to needy families for Thanksgiving dinner.

Individuals may "adopt" a family and donate the fixings for a complete turkey dinner, including a turkey. They may also make a cash donation, as food vouchers will be purchased for local stores.

Food donations will be accepted until Monday, November 25, at the Red Cross Tri-County Chapter office, 332 West Front Street in Plainfield. Items may be dropped off between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Due to a lack of refrigerated storage space, turkeys may only be dropped off on November 25, between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The chapter services 22 municipalities in Union, Middlesex and Somerset counties. Anyone with questions or who would like to volunteer may call (908) 756-6414.

### Ministerium to Host Thanksgiving Service

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Ministerium will hold a special Community Thanksgiving Service on Monday, November 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the Evangel Church, located at 1251 Terrill Road in Scotch Plains.

The service will be all inclusive and include representatives from the local area's many houses of worship, as well as government and community leaders.

The service will feature several choirs, responsorial readings and a message from Scotch Plains Township Manager Thomas Atkins.

Additionally, a special offering will be received for Crop Walk, a worldwide program to combat hunger, as well as for CONTACT We Care.

## Miller-Cory to Present Colonial Thanksgiving

WESTFIELD - The Miller-Cory House Museum, located at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield, will feature its annual Colonial Thanksgiving feast demonstration over the open hearth on Sunday, November 24, from 2 to 5 p.m.

### Morgan Lynn Joins Boll Family

Sherry and Ed Boll of Westfield have announced the birth of their daughter, Morgan Lynn Boll, on Sunday, September 15, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Morgan weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches in length at birth.

She joins her brothers, Kerry, age 6, and Ryan, age 4, and her sister, two-year-old Emily.

The baby's maternal grandparents are Rita and Rocky Petzuk of Coplay, Pa.

Her paternal grandparents are Carol and Ed Boll of Holland, Pa.

Arlene Kendall of Plainfield and Janet and Judy Murphy of Kenilworth will prepare the feast using authentic recipes and cooking methods. Taste treats will be available for visitors to sample.

Additionally, Kathy Dowling of Clark will make a presentation on early American table customs.

Tours of the 1740 farmhouse will be conducted by costumed docents throughout the afternoon, with the last tour scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. Visitors will also be able to make purchases at the museum's gift shop.

Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students. Children under age 6 will be admitted for free. For information about the museum and its fall events, please call the office at (908) 232-1776.

The museum will be closed on Sunday, December 1, for the Thanksgiving holiday. On December 8, the museum will present "A Gingerbread Sunday." For more information about the museum and its fall events, please call (908) 232-1776.

## JLEP Donates Goody Bags For Mobile Meals' Clients

WESTFIELD - Halloween goody bags were recently donated to Mobile Meals by volunteers from the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield, to brighten the holiday for Mobile Meals' elderly and disabled clients.

Mobile Meals, a non-profit, private meal delivery service, delivers freshly prepared, home-cooked meals Monday through Friday to clients in Westfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Clark, Cranford and Garwood.

Junior League members Connie Frontero and Kathy O'Brien prepared the bags with the help of their children, Jackson, Julia and Greta Frontero and Shannon, Brianna and Sean O'Brien.

"The Junior League has been a tremendous help in servicing our cli-

ents," said Nancy Otchy, President of Mobile Meals.

"We are indebted to the many organizations who have joined our volunteer efforts in providing hot, nutritious meals to our clients, who are no longer able to shop and cook for themselves," she added.

Many Mobile Meals volunteers bring their children along when they deliver meals as a way of introducing them to the rewards of community service.

"Many of our clients spend their days alone and are so grateful for these holiday gifts and visits when their meals are delivered. They love to see our volunteers, many of whom have developed great relationships," remarked Jean Douma, Executive Director of Mobile Meals.

"Many have been delivering meals for over 20 years," she noted. "The time commitment is only one hour per week, but the rewards are great. All delivery locations are in safe, suburban neighborhoods."

Mobile Meals is especially in need of delivery volunteers in the Cranford area. Any person or organization interested in volunteering may call (908) 233-6146 or visit westfieldnj.com/mobilemeals on the Internet.

### Westfield Firefighters Announce Food Drive

WESTFIELD - The Westfield Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Association Local No. 30 is currently conducting its seventh annual Holiday Food Drive for needy area residents.

Non-perishable food items will be accepted at fire headquarters, located at 405 North Avenue, West, until 9 p.m. on Friday, December 20.

Food baskets will be distributed to those in need through local churches and civic organizations in time for the Christmas holiday.

In its first food drive in 1996, Local No. 30 distributed holiday meals to approximately 85 families in Westfield. The firefighters donated one turkey to each meal distributed and will do so again this year. Local No. 30 has expressed gratitude to all who participated in last year's program.

### African Violet Group To Gather Today

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Union County Chapter of the African Violet Society will meet at 1 p.m. today, Thursday, November 21, in the Scotch Plains Public Library, located at 1927 Bartle Avenue.

The program will be entitled "Getting Ready For the Show" and is open to everyone.

### Library Friends Seek Donations For Sale

SCOTCH PLAINS - The Friends of the Scotch Plains Public Library is currently accepting donations of used videos, music cassettes, compact disks and books-on-tape to be resold at its special "Pre-Christmas" Sale.

The sale will be held on Saturday, December 14, at the library, located at 1927 Bartle Avenue.

"We are looking for professionally-made videos, cassettes and CDs only - not home movies or TV shows or music taped from the radio," said Friends President Ted Czarnowski.

"We are looking for films, documentaries, children's videos, how-to and exercise videos, etc. We are also looking for music of all kinds. These items should be in very good condition, since they will be resold," he added.

Anyone wishing to donate videos, compact disks and books-on-tape, as well as books for the book sale, may bring them to the library between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

### Quicks Welcome Son, Brady Philip

Joseph and Robin Quick of Mount Pleasant, S.C., formerly of Westfield, have announced the birth of their son, Brady Philip Quick, on Friday, October 11, at 12:19 p.m. at East Cooper Regional Medical Center in Mount Pleasant.

Brady weighed 8 pounds and 4 ounces and measured 21 1/2 inches in length at birth.

He joins his brother, Ryan, who is 2 1/2 years old.

Brady's maternal grandparents are Gary and Jill Sitzer of Westfield.

John and Kathryn Quick of Deep Gap, N.C. are his paternal grandparents.

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