

## Teams Are Invited to Enter Annual Adult Spelling Bee

SUMMIT — The Women's Resource Center of Summit will present the Third Annual Adult Team Spelling Bee on Sunday, January 30, at 4 p.m. at Summit High School, located at 125 Kent Place Boulevard. The event will benefit the center's children's programs and the Summit Educational Foundation.

The early rounds start with easier words and later rounds become progressively more difficult. Prizes will be awarded to the champion spellers, as well as to the team that raises the most in entry fees; has the most original team name, and has the most original costume (optional). All con-

tributions and fees are tax-deductible.

Admission to watch the proceedings will be \$5; children under age six may attend for free. Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Any threesome can form a team (ages 16 and up) and must contribute/raise \$300. To prepare, each team member will receive a copy of the official "Scripps Howard Book of Words" upon confirmation of entry.

To register, please call (908) 273-1726 for an entry form. Completed forms and contributions may be sent to the Women's Resource Center, 561 Springfield Avenue, Summit 07901.

## Reverend Nelson to Deliver Keynote Address at Service

WESTFIELD — The Reverend Lawton Nelson, Jr., presiding elder of the Camden district and pastor of Saint Augustine AME Zion Church in Bridgeton, will be the keynote speaker at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. commemorative service on Monday, January 17, in Westfield.

The service will take place at Temple Emanu-El, located at 756 East Broad Street, following a procession beginning at 12:30 p.m. from the future site of the Dr. Martin Luther King monument at the South Avenue/East Broad Street circle.

At noon, the Dr. Martin Luther King Association of Westfield will assemble at the future site of the memorial monument to consecrate the ground.

A spokesperson for the association said construction of the monument

should be completed by early May, with a dedication ceremony to follow.

Reverend Nelson holds several leadership positions within the Camden denomination and also is active in government. He was elected as an Atlantic County Freeholder in 1989 and recently re-elected to a sixth term.

He is a member of the County Code Review Committee, Election Procedures Review Committee, Human Services and Public Health and Environment Committees.

The reverend serves on several advisory boards, including the Youth Services Advisory Commission. He is a member of a number of fraternal and religious organizations and has three children and a granddaughter.

The service at Temple Emanu-El also will include the announcement of student essay and art contest winners.



**PUCKER UP!...**Children in the Sunday School program at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield collected more than \$10,000 for Heifer International, that will be used to purchase animals for poverty-stricken families around the world. As an added incentive to reach their goal, Interim Senior Pastor Roland Perdue and Associate Pastor for Youth Tina McCormick offered to kiss a pig if \$5,000 was raised by the end of December. The ministers fulfilled their promise at a celebration reception last Sunday, where they both kissed an 800-pound pig named John Henry. Pictured above, Pastor Perdue nuzzles up to his new friend.

## Registration, Open House Set At Willow Grove Pre-School

SCOTCH PLAINS—Willow Grove Pre-School, located at 1961 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains, will host a parent pre-registration open house for the 2005-2006 school year on Thursday, January 20, at 10:15 a.m. in the church's Alexander Hall. The snow date is Friday, January 21.

Director Kathy Cello will present a slideshow giving an overview of the Christian pre-school program and also offer a tour of the facility. The pre-school is sponsored by Willow Grove Presbyterian Church and licensed by the state of New Jersey.

Class teachers are state-certified educators. The 3 Minus Program is offered for children who will be 2 1/2 by October 1. There also are classes for three-year olds, four-year-olds, and the Four-Plus Class for those who either miss the kindergarten cut-off date or just need another year of preschool.

Registration for the 2005-2006 school year will begin on Monday, February 7, for present enrollees and alumni. Open registration will begin on Monday, February 14.

For more information, please call Mrs. Cello at (908) 232-7117.

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## Families Invited to Share 'Tales' at Willow Grove

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, located at 1961 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains, will hold a "Tales in the Grove" storytime session on Sunday, January 16.

The program will start at 7 p.m. and last 45 to 60 minutes. While it is geared towards children ages two through five, older and younger siblings are welcome.

The program will continue the first and third Sundays of every month. Two congregation volunteers will run each storytime — one reader and one greeter.

Youngsters may bring a snack and refreshment. Parents will be asked to stay for the duration of the storytime to redirect any "wanderers" back to the story circle.

For more information about Willow Grove, please call the church office Monday through Friday at (908) 232-

5678; e-mail wilgrv@netzero.com or visit [www.scotchplains.com/wgpc](http://www.scotchplains.com/wgpc).

## Mom/Daughter Night Scheduled at JCC

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Jewish Community Center (JCC) of Central New Jersey will present its annual Mother/Daughter Game and Movie Night on Saturday, January 22.

It will begin at 7 p.m. at the JCC's Wilf Jewish Community Campus, located at 1391 Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains. The festivities will include the movie *Ella Enchanted*, as well as refreshments and crafts.

The fee to attend is \$8 per adult and \$6 per child, grades 3 to 6. For more information, please call Jodi Baxter, Youth and Family Services Director, at (908) 889-8800, extension no. 235.

## St. Paul's Day School Plans Open House for New Families

WESTFIELD -- St. Paul's Day School, located at 414 East Broad Street in Westfield, will sponsor an Open House for new families for the nursery school on Tuesday, January 25, at 9:30 a.m.

The kindergarten's presentation of new materials used in their full-day program will be held today, Thursday, January 13, at 9:30 a.m.

Parents will have the opportunity to view the facility and learn more about different programs and to meet the director and staff.

Registration for new families for the full-day kindergarten will be held on Wednesday, January 16, and registration for the pre-school will be held

from Monday, February 7, to Wednesday, February 9. Registration forms may be picked up at the Open House.

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