

## First Baptist Plans Seminar, Parenting Group on Sunday

WESTFIELD—Two programs will take place this Sunday, May 15, at the First Baptist Church of Westfield, located at 170 Elm Street.

The church will host a seminar at 12:30 p.m. on medical ethics and end-of-life decisions, which will explore the issues raised so publicly by the Terri Schiavo case. All are welcome to bring their questions and views to the forum.

Living Will and Health Care Advocate forms will be available. A cold buffet lunch will be provided for a suggested donation of \$2. For more information, please call (908) 233-2278 or email firstbaptist.westfield@verizon.net.

From 5:30 to 7 p.m., the church's parenting group will meet. Evolving from a recent series of sermons on "amazing relationships," this group

provides a forum where parents of children of all ages can share their experiences and learn from each other. Participants will discuss methods and techniques to help them communicate better with their children. The meeting is scheduled at the same time as the church youth group meets, so that parents can attend after bringing their teenagers to the group. Childcare will be provided for younger children.

All interested parents are welcome and snacks will be available. For more information, please email Dean Pratt at deanpratt@comcast.net or call him at (908) 230-4263.

### Louise Fristensky

#### To Give Voice Recital

MOUNTAINSIDE—On Sunday, May 15, at 4 p.m., Louise Fristensky will present a voice recital in the sanctuary at the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside, featuring works by Schubert, Mozart, Fauré and Donaudy.

A senior at Governor Livingston High School in Berkeley Heights, Louise has completed four years of classical voice and flute studies at the Manhattan School of Music, Preparatory Division. She will attend New York University in the fall as a vocal performance major.

Riko Higuma, winner of the Jacob Flier International Competition and a Young Artist at the Van Cliburn Institute, will accompany Louise during her recital.

This performance is free and open to the public. The Community Presbyterian Church is located at Deer Path and Meeting House Lane.

### St. John's Baptist Sets Anniversary Service

SCOTCH PLAINS—Pastor Kelmo Porter and the St. John's Baptist Church of Scotch Plains has invited the public to share in a 96th Anniversary Service this Sunday, May 15, at the 10 a.m. service.

St. John's Baptist was founded in 1909. Reverend Porter has been the church's Senior Minister since 1967.

The Reverend Jerry Carter, Pastor of Morristown's Calvary Baptist Church, will be the guest speaker.

Reverend Carter also will conduct the Spring Revival from Monday through Wednesday, May 16 to 18, at 7:30 p.m. each evening at St. John's Baptist Church, located at 2387 Morse Avenue. For more information, please call the church at (908) 232-6972.



SWAP MEET... During their April spring break, third-grade Brownie Troop No. 256 from Coles Elementary School in Scotch Plains, pictured above, made SWAPS (Special Whatchamacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere), a Girl Scout craft designed to promote friendship. The SWAPS will be traded with other troops later this spring at the Girl Scouts of Fanwood-Scotch Plains Encampment. They are then pinned to the girls' hats.

## HAZAK Event to Spotlight Music of George Gershwin

SCOTCH PLAINS—Congregation Beth Israel's HAZAK group will host a talk by Dr. Donato D. Fornuto at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, on "George Gershwin - His Life And His Music."

All are welcome to attend this free event, which will take place at Congregation Beth Israel, located at 18 Shalom Way in Scotch Plains.

A Professor Emeritus of William Paterson College, Dr. Fornuto taught Jazz Harmony, Jazz Arranging and Jazz Ear Training in addition to Classical Harmony, Counterpoint and related subjects. He also is a professional pianist.

He will not only relate biographical information and anecdotes, but

### Blood Drive Is Slated At Temple on May 22

WESTFIELD—On Sunday, May 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Men's Club and Sisterhood of Temple Emanu-El in Westfield will sponsor a community blood drive inside the temple, located at 756 East Broad Street in Westfield.

Bagels, spreads and juice will be provided, and a complimentary cholesterol screening will be available for all donors. Blood donors must be at least 17 years of age and weigh a minimum 110 pounds.

In order to qualify, individuals must not have donated blood within eight weeks prior to the event. For further information, please call Pete Klein at (908) 668-8194 or Mike Hamerman at (908) 654-3395.

also will perform medleys of Gershwin's music. Recorded musical samples, a sing-along and short quizzes of the "name that tune" style will round out the presentation.

Refreshments will be served. Reservations are required and may be made by calling (908) 889-1830.

This program is offered through the Horizon Speakers Bureau of the New Jersey Council for the Humanities, a state partner of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

### Hadassah to Install Officers at Luncheon

WESTFIELD—The Westfield Chapter of Hadassah will hold its annual Installation Luncheon on Thursday, May 26, at 11:30 a.m. at Lana's, Hyatt Hills Complex, located at 1300 Raritan Road in Clark.

Officers to be installed include President, Jeanne Goldstein; Vice Presidents of Programming, Betty Dubman and Gerilyn Samuel; Vice President of Fundraising, Rose Bauman; Vice Presidents of Education, Tassie Becker, Elaine Kolker and Bea Wetsler; Vice Presidents of Membership, Marlene Freeman and Christine Weingarten; Treasurer, Marilyn Napak; Recording Secretary, Mildred Pollock, and Corresponding Secretary, Marilyn Kestenbaum.

Vocalist Lauren Shaub will provide entertainment during the event. The cost is \$25. Checks should be made payable to: Westfield Hadassah and mailed in care of Tanya Whellan, 33 Manitou Circle, Westfield 07090. For further information, please call Ms. Whellan at (908) 232-4919.

## Children Invited to 'Trek' To Vacation Bible Camp

WESTFIELD—The Presbyterian Church in Westfield has invited children age four through fifth grade to take part in its Vacation Bible Camp, entitled "Serengeti Trek: Where Kids Are Wild About God's Love."

Registration is currently underway for the camp, to be held Monday through Thursday, June 27 to 30, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The camp will conclude on Thursday evening with a concert of worship presented by the band Serge.

### Morning's at Seven Due At Unitarian Church

PLAINFIELD—Act IV, a theater group based at the First Unitarian Society of Plainfield, will present "Morning's at Seven" in the Parish Hall at the church, located at 724 Park Avenue in Plainfield.

Barbara VanSavage of Fanwood is the producer, and Stan Kaplan of Westfield appears in the cast. Performances will be at 8 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday, May 13 and 14, and next Friday and Saturday, May 20 and 21, and at 3 p.m. on Sundays, May 15 and 22.

Paul Osborn's 1939 play involves a small-town 1930s family in which the members decide to assert themselves after decades of smothering closeness. It enjoyed major revivals in 1980 and 2002 and won three Tony Awards.

Tickets are \$15 and may be reserved by calling (908) 322-4987 or (908) 756-0750.

Kathy Genus, Director of Christian Education, and a team of youth and parent volunteers will lead the Trek. Each evening, dinner will be served to campers before they begin their journey through a variety of fun and creative Bible-learning activities.

Music, teamwork-building games, crafts and a mission project to collect health kits for Church World Service will all be part of the program. Youngsters also will choose a "Daily Challenge," a way to live out what they learn at camp.

The cost for the entire program, including dinner, is \$25 per child, or \$60 for a family with three or more children. The Presbyterian Church in Westfield is located at 140 Mountain Avenue.

For more information on Serengeti Trek or to register, please call the church office at (908) 233-0301. Space is limited, so registration should be completed as soon as possible.

### Evangel Church to Join Global Day of Prayer

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Evangel Church in Scotch Plains will be among the places where Christians of all denominations will pray together via live satellite transmission during the Global Day of Prayer on Pentecost Sunday, May 15.

The event will take place from 5 to 8 p.m., and participants may stay as long as they wish. Admission is free and all are welcome. The church is located at 1251 Terrill Road.

## Fanwood-Scotch Plains Parade To Honor Vietnam Veterans

FANWOOD—The 2005 Fanwood-Scotch Plains Memorial Day parade will be held this year on Monday, May 30, and pay special tribute to veterans of the Vietnam War era.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War. In recognition of this milestone, the theme for this year's parade will be "Welcome Home - A Salute to Vietnam Veterans."

All Fanwood and Scotch Plains veterans of the Vietnam War era will be honored at the parade. The Parade Committee has invited all borough and township residents who served in the United States armed forces during the Vietnam War period (December 1, 1959 through May 7, 1975) to participate in the 2005 parade.

This invitation is extended to all veterans of this period, regardless of their duty station. This includes stateside, overseas and combat assignments.

Those veterans interested in joining their fellow Vietnam War era

comrades should register with the Parade Committee by calling Toni Rollis at the Scotch Plains Municipal Building at (908) 322-6700, extension no. 314.

These veterans will march as a group along the parade route to receive the community's "thank you" in recognition of their service to America during this divisive time in the nation's history.

### Walk This Sunday To Benefit The Arc

SCOTCH PLAINS—The Arc of Union County has announced that "Step Up For The Arc, Walk 2005" will take place this Sunday, May 15, at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools, located at 1776 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains.

Registration will begin at 9 a.m., and the walk will start at 10 a.m., rain or shine. Food and refreshments will be offered.

This annual event raises funds that support a range of programs and services for adults and children with developmental disabilities and their families.

For more information about Step Up For The Arc, Walk 2005, please call (908) 754-5910 or visit www.arcnj.org and click on the Step Up For The Arc, Walk 2005 logo.

### Local Sixth Graders Honored at Pingry

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP—Westfielders Helen Daifotis, Kasra Manoocheri, Jason Reitman and Taylor Shepard joined Maxwell Ingrassia of Mountainside in being named to third quarter honor roll at Pingry's Lower School in Bernards Township.

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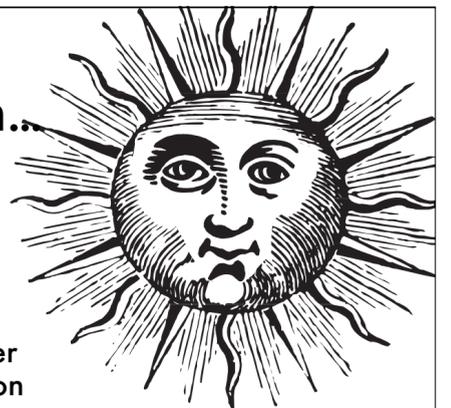
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