



WHO NEEDS TV?... Tamaques Elementary fifth graders Brandon Levan, Michael Clancy, John Dooley, Jacob Vergara and Matthew Trinkle enjoy an evening of bingo as students complete another TV-free week. In exchange for turning off their televisions, students received coupons from local food vendors and bowling centers. Tamaques Principal Michael Cullen will reward the pupils with one homework-free evening for exceeding their goal of 1,500 TV-free days.

Girl Scout Troop No. 498 Holds Career Day Program

WESTFIELD - Westfield Senior Girl Scout Troop No. 498 recently conducted "From Dreams to Reality," a Girl Scout career exploration day at Edison Intermediate School.

The March 5 event, which was open to all Girl Scouts ages 11 to 17, benefited 72 girls this year. Women from non-traditional careers described their jobs, the educational requirements and a typical work day; what they enjoy about their professions and the possibilities for advancement.

After the speeches, the girls were given an opportunity to talk directly with the speakers in small groups to ask questions and hear more about the jobs that interested them the most.

Among the speakers were Mary Frank, a professional photographer

Local Newark Academy Students Earn Honors

LIVINGSTON - Newark Academy in Livingston has announced the names of local pupils placed on the High Honors List and Honors List for the 2005 winter term.

Julien Cobert of Westfield, Giulia Mercuri of Scotch Plains, and Karishma Katti of Berkeley Heights were placed on the High Honors List, which requires students to receive an "A-" or above for each course taken.

Students placed on the Honors List, which requires grades of "B-" or above for each course taken, include Arielle Confino, Adam Subhas, Annie Greenberg, Nina Subhas, Michael Forman and Emily Harris.

Alex Smith and Amit Parekh, Scotch Plains residents, joined Berkeley Heights residents Tracy Jacobson, Lauren Portnoi, Matthew Kennedy, Rebecca Shulman and Max Jacobson in being named to the Honors List.

and night photo editor at the *Home News Tribune*; Judith McCarthy, Publisher at McGraw-Hill Companies; Laura Segedin, a Shop and Technology teacher at Roosevelt Intermediate School in Westfield; Theresa Mullen, an attorney and law partner at Tressler, Soderstrom, Maloney & Priess; Michelle Handshuh, a clinical research scientist from Bristol-Meyers Squibb Company, and Sergeant Beverly Peal from the Scotch Plains Police Department.

Rosemary Malfetti, Managing Partner in the Management Recruiters of Union County, ran a workshop on job interview skills, while Jan Fine Pincus, a guidance counselor at Westfield High School, covered college résumé writing. Working mothers Linda Huff, Mary Lynn Parsloe and Kathy Sherman held a workshop about balancing career and family.

At the end of the afternoon, the girls received the "From Dreams to Reality" patch, a requirement for earning the Girl Scout Silver Award.

Speakers received framed certificates of appreciation from Troop No. 498, and the 14- and 15-year-old girls from the troop were commended by the leaders, girls and speakers for their organization and hard work in planning and running such an event.

Pingry School Reveals Middle School Roster

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP - Westfielders Alexander Dafifots, Samuel Fisher, Meghan Hager, Paul Zoidis, Brendan Bruno, Brendan Burgdorf, and William Weldon joined William Stamatidis of Mountaintop and Jennifer Soong of Berkeley Heights in being named to third quarter honor roll at Pingry's Middle School in Bernards Township.

People For Animals Seeks Homes For Dogs and Cats

COUNTY - People for Animals will sponsor dog and cat adoption events this Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15, at the PETSMART stores in the Bridgewater Promenade Mall, Route 28 at Route 287, and in Watchung at the Watchung Square Mall, 1515 Route 22, West.

Dogs will be at the Bridgewater store on Sunday only from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Among the many pets for adoption will be "Abby," a nine-year-old, medium-sized, female black shepherd-mix. Abby's



"Abby"

owner died and, due to the allergies of other family members, she must live in a garage.

Described as well behaved, Abby seems fine with other pets. She is house trained, spayed and current with her vaccinations.

Cats will be at both PETSMART stores from noon to 4 p.m. For information about People for Animals' pets for adoption, please call (908) 964-6887 and dial 306 for dogs and 307 for cats. All the pets are featured at www.pfa.petfinder.com.

Education Program to Offer Overview of Blood Cancers

AREA - The Northern New Jersey Chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, headquartered in Westfield, has announced a free patient and community education program entitled "Overview of Blood Cancers."

Sponsored by Berlex, the program will be held on Wednesday, June 1, from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the University of Medicine and Dentistry New Jersey Medical Sciences Building, 185 South Orange Avenue, Rosemary Gellene Room, Room B 515 in Newark.

Hematologist/oncologist Dr. Kathleen Cathcart of University Hospital, UMDNJ and formerly of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, will be the guest speaker. She

will address an overview of blood cancers, current treatments, and symptom and side effect management. Questions will be welcome.

Open to patients, family members, caregivers and healthcare providers, this program is free, but registration is required and must be done by Wednesday, May 25. A light supper will be provided.

Attendees should park in Parking Lot 1; there is no cost for parking. For more information or to register, please call Deborah Halpern or Laura Mott, Patient Services Managers, Northern New Jersey Chapter, (908) 654-9445 or e-mail halpernd@nj-n.o.leukemia-lymphoma.org or mottl@nj-n.o.leukemia-lymphoma.org.



NEW MEMBERS... Inducted into the Cum Laude Society at The Pingry School, pictured left to right, are: juniors Nadine Reitman, Kelly Peeler and Caitlin Jennings, and seniors Elizabeth Encarnacion and John Stamatidis.

WESTFIELD Recreation Department Events

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Roller Hockey Clinics: Students will learn basic skills or fine-tune their skills with George Giresi and the Westfield High School Ice Hockey Team. The class will be offered to children aged 6 to 12, from Monday, June 20, through Friday, June 24, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at Tamaques Park. The cost is \$60 per child.

Night Place: The Night Place program is held throughout the school year on select Friday evenings. This program is open to all middle school students. The program is held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Edison Intermediate School. The cost is \$2 in advance and \$3 at the door. The remaining date is May 13.

Ground Program: In person registration begins on Wednesday, June 1, for the Junior Playground Program, Teen Scene Playground, and the C.I.T. Playground Program. The program is available for school-aged Westfield residents only.

Stroller-Size: This one-hour total body workout is aimed at improving one's cardiovascular endurance, strength and flexibility. The class will be held in Tamaques Park on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. from April 6 through May 25. The fee is \$48 per person.

Summer Camps: The Recreation Department is taking registrations for summer camps. Camps are avail-

able for baseball, basketball, bowling, golf, roller hockey, soccer, tennis, multi-sports and wrestling.

Teen Center: The Teen Center is open on most Friday evenings during the school year between the hours of 7 and 11 p.m. for all Westfield High School students.

Total Toning: Classes are held on Mondays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building Community Room, 425 East Broad Street. Each session includes 10 classes. The fee is \$65 per person.

Tennis Programs: Classes for adults and children (ages 3 to 14 yrs.) will begin Saturday, May 7, at the Memorial Park Tennis courts. Classes are offered for pee wee, beginner, advanced beginner and intermediate levels.

Trips, State Theatre in New Brunswick, performances of Smokey Joe's Café on Friday, May 6, at a cost of \$59 per person, and the Michael McDonald concert on Wednesday, July 13. The cost includes transportation.

Please register for the above programs at the Westfield Recreation Department, 425 East Broad Street. For further information, please call the Westfield Recreation Office at (908) 789-4080, or visit www.westfieldnj.net/townhall/recreation.

Scotch Plains Recreation Department Events Calendar

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Teen Event, The Recreation Commission and Municipal Alliance Committee will offer this program on Thursday, June 16, on the Village Green from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Ping-pong, knock hockey, and basketball will be featured along with a DJ. Chaperones are needed. There is no fee to attend this event.

Steve Balboni Baseball Camp, for boys and girls ages 10 to 16. This camp will be held Tuesday, August 16 to Friday, August 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Farley Park. The cost is \$250 per person. Details will follow.

Summer Parks, ages 6 to 12, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 5 to August 12. This program is for Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents. The six-week program features games, contests, weekly trips, as well as arts and crafts. Parents can choose either the Brookside or Green Forest Parks for their children. The program is supervised by mostly college students experienced in supervising children. The registration fee is \$40 per child prior to Friday, June 10, and \$50 after this date.

Small Fry Program, ages 3 to 5. Registration for this program, which began April 16, is \$40 before Thursday, June 16 and \$50 after this date. The program can only accommodate 25 kids. The program includes arts and crafts as well as active and passive activities.

MARACAS Summer Spanish Camp, for children aged 4 to 8, 9 to 11 a.m., Monday through Friday, June 27 to July 1 or July 18 to July 22, at the Scotch Hills Country Club. Tuition for the camp is \$150 per child and includes all materials and supplies. Call Amanda Seewald at (908) 447-8447 for more information. Space is limited and the registration deadline is Friday, June 17.

Youth Tennis Team, ages 10 to 17, Monday through Friday, June 28 to August 13, from 1 to 3 p.m., at the Kramer Manor Park Tennis Courts. The team will play matches with other teams in the area who are members of the New Jersey Town Tennis League. Players are eligible to compete in the state tournament. The fee for this program is \$15 per person which includes a T-shirt. Registration will take place from Saturday, June 4 through Thursday, June 23.

Basketball Skills & Drills, for children entering kindergarten through 2nd grades. Ken Miller will again

teach the skills of basketball to beginners as well as more experienced players. The program, to be held at the Kramer Manor basketball courts, will have a maximum of 25 children. The program will be held Thursdays, July 7 through August 25, from 6 to 7 p.m. Registration will be held from Saturday, June 4 through Friday, June 24, for Scotch Plains residents at a cost of \$40. Registration for non-residents cost \$45 and will be held from Tuesday, June 14 through Friday, June 24.

Girls/Boys Basketball, for children entering grades 3 through 6. Ken Miller will teach skills to those who have played ball and want to improve their skill level. The boys and girls will be together in one group. The program will be held at the Kramer Manor basketball courts on Thursdays, July 7 through August 25, from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. Registration for Scotch Plains residents, to be held from Saturday, June 4 through Friday, June 24, cost \$40. Registration for non-residents, to be held from Tuesday, June 14 through Friday, June 24, cost \$45 per child.

Junior Golf Clinic, ages 8 to 17. Bill McCluney, PGA Pro, will be instructing this summer's clinic. The program is for all experience levels from beginner to advanced. Golf will be taught at Jerseyland Park, unless otherwise indicated, on Mondays from July 11 through August 15. Class size is limited. Registration for Scotch Plains residents, to be held from Saturday, June 4 to Wednesday, June 22, is \$50 per child. Non-resident registration is \$55 per child and will be held from Tuesday, June 14 through Wednesday, June 22.

Youth Tennis Camp, ages 5 to 12, Kramer Manor Park Tennis Courts. Children will have a choice of three weeks this summer. Registration for residents starts Saturday, June 4.

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Obituaries

Lewis Wood, 65, Head of Construction For AT&T Facilities in New Jersey

Lewis "Lou" J. Wood, 65, of Fanwood died on Tuesday, May 3, at his home.

Born in Buffalo, N.Y., he had lived in Snyder, N.Y. and in Alexandria, Va. before relocating to Fanwood in 1970.

Mr. Wood had been employed as head of construction for AT&T facilities in the state of New Jersey prior to retiring.

He attended the University of Buffalo and served in both the United States Air Force and the United States National Guard during the Vietnam era.

He was an exempt fireman with the Snyder Fire Department in Snyder,

N.Y.; a former member of the Fanwood Jaycees, and a member of AT&T Telephone Pioneers of New Jersey.

He was predeceased by his wife, Carol Wood, in 2002.

Surviving is a sister, Treva D. Funk of Cape Coral, Fla.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, May 12, at the Memorial Funeral Home, 155 South Avenue in Fanwood.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Plainfield Area Humane Society, 75 Rock Avenue, Plainfield 07063.

May 12, 2005

Rosario Tropeano, 77, Business Owner; Real Estate Developer For 20 Years

Rosario Sarino Tropeano, 77, of Scotch Plains died on Monday, May 2, at Overlook Hospital in Summit.

Born in Varapodio, Italy, he came to the United States in 1953. He lived in Scotch Plains for 23 years.

Mr. Tropeano had been a real estate developer for 20 years before retiring 10 years ago. He also had owned and operated Sarino Autobody, Inc. in Roselle Park for 40 years.

Mr. Tropeano was a member of UNICO in Scotch Plains and was named the 2001 Man of the Year by the Calabria Forum in Lodi.

He was predeceased by his son, Vincent Tropeano, in 2003, and by a grandson, Mark Tropeano, earlier this year.

Surviving are his wife, Fay Stillitano Tropeano; two sons, Sarino Tropeano of Westfield and Leo Tropeano of Flemington; a daughter, Melissa LaTour of Hoboken; three brothers, Tom Tropeano of Clark and Ricardo Tropeano and Rocco Tropeano, both of Italy; three sisters, Lisa, Franca and Angela, all in Italy, and eight grandchildren.

The funeral was held on Monday, May 9, from the Dooley Colonial Home, 556 Westfield Avenue in Westfield. A Mass of Christian Burial followed at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church in Scotch Plains. Entombment took place at Saint Gertrude Cemetery in Colonia.

May 12, 2005

Free Rabies Clinic on Tap In Scotch Plains May 18

SCOTCH PLAINS - A free rabies clinic for cats and dogs, sponsored by the Scotch Plains Health Department, will be offered Wednesday, May 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the southside firehouse, located at the corner of Martine Avenue and Raritan Road.

Cats must be contained in a "cat carrier" or a box and accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. If this is the animal's initial vaccination (which includes those animals with an unknown vaccination history), the inoculation has a one-year duration. Subsequent booster vaccinations have a three-year duration if the animal is age six months or older.

2005 cat licenses will be available at the clinic. The cost is \$5. Cats will be vaccinated from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dogs also must be accompanied by an adult able to control the animal. Revac-

cination is not necessary for three years unless the dog is less than six months of age, thus requiring revaccination the subsequent year (or, if the animal's vaccination history is unknown).

2005 dog licenses will be available at the clinic. The cost is \$6.20 for a pet which is spayed or neutered and \$9.20 for one that is not. Dogs will be vaccinated from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Individuals are asked to have a check or exact cash for their licenses. The New Jersey Department of Health recommends vaccination every two years.

The township will not issue a license unless the vaccination is valid for the entire licensing period. For additional information, please call (908) 322-6700, extension no. 1-309.

Prayer to The Blessed Virgin

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN: (Never known to fail) Oh most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of heaven. Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me show me herein, you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3X). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for the things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy towards me and mine. The person must say this prayer three consecutive days. After three days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. L.R.

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