



MR. AND MRS. DAVID A. SIPES  
(She is the former Miss Alison Elizabeth Vanderbilt)

## Miss Alison E. Vanderbilt Marries David A. Sipes

Miss Alison Elizabeth Vanderbilt, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt of Westfield, was married on Saturday, August 20, to David A. Sipes. He is the son of Mrs. Marlene DeLaurenti and Donn Sipes of Walnut Creek, Calif.

The Reverend Christopher Taylor officiated at the late afternoon ceremony at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. A reception immediately followed at the Echo Lake Country Club in Westfield.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white Duchess satin A-line gown designed by Vera Wang with a chapel-length train and streamers at the back. Her chapel-length veil cascaded from a lace headpiece encrusted with seed pearls. She carried a European hand-held bouquet in shades of white, ivory, blush and pink with cream Vandella and Porcelana roses, pink dendrobium and white cymbidium orchids, ranunculus, Godetia and Nerines.

Miss Amy Ferrara of Boston, Mass., a college friend of the bride, was the maid of honor. The bridal attendants included Mrs. Jennifer Steck of San Jose, Calif., the bridegroom's sister, and Miss Sarah Buggee of Salem, Mass., Mrs. Kristen Pierson of Centerport, N.Y. and Mrs. Cary Rubbo of Waterbury, Conn., all college friends of the bride. They wore satin faced taffeta tea-length dresses in silver-blue with a grey satin sash and carried bouquets of pink and pale peach roses with white freesia, pink and white Godetia.

Timothy Sipes of Seattle, Wash.

was his brother's best man. Serving as groomsmen were Jeffrey Alexander of Santa Cruz, Calif., Karl Benjamin of Davis, Calif. and Richard Ellis of Oakhurst, N.J., all friends of the bridegroom, and Neil Vanderbilt of Westfield, the brother of the bride. Jack Riley Steck of San Jose, Calif., the bridegroom's nephew, was the ring bearer.

Mrs. Meredith Johnson of Wayne, Pa. and Mrs. Virginia Stearns of Short Hills, cousins of the bride, gave readings during the ceremony.

A graduate of Westfield High School, the bride was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from the University of Vermont in Burlington. She is employed as an Event Manager for Premiere Racing, Inc. of Marblehead, Mass.

The bridegroom, a graduate of Clayton Valley High School in Concord, Calif., earned Bachelor of Science degrees in Fermentation Science and Managerial Economics from the University of California at Davis. He is employed as Brewing Manager for the Boston Beer Company in Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Penny Dinger of Mountaineer and Mrs. Susan Moran of Westfield, the bride's aunts, hosted a bridal shower at Mrs. Virginia Stearns' Short Hills home.

The rehearsal dinner, given by Mr. and Mrs. Loren DeLaurenti and Mr. and Mrs. Donn Sipes, was held at the Kirby Carriage House at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn.

Following a wedding trip to Nantucket, the couple resides in Marblehead, Mass.

## AARP Announces Meeting, Details of June Luncheon

WESTFIELD – Westfield Area Chapter No. 4137 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its next meeting on Monday, May 1, in The Presbyterian Church in Westfield's Assembly Hall, located at Broad Street and Mountain Avenue. Guests and potential new members are welcome and ample parking is available in the church lot.

The social period with refreshments will begin at 1 p.m., with a brief business meeting to take place at 1:30 p.m. Afterward, guest speaker Dr. Kenneth Arida, a Westfield dentist, will discuss

### Golden Agers Plan Musical Revue Trip

SCOTCH PLAINS – The Scotch Plains Golden Agers Club will travel to Hawley, Pa. on Thursday, May 18, for a Woodlock Pines luncheon and musical revue. Tickets are \$51 and include the revue, luncheon and bus ride. The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. that day from the Scotch Plains Municipal Building parking lot at 430 Park Avenue.

The menu will feature prime rib and butterfly shrimp, baked filet of fish, fresh fruit, garden salad and accompaniments. There also will be a dessert table. All are welcome.

The Golden Agers Club offers senior citizens a chance to meet with their peers, share ideas and gather useful information. The club meets weekly on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at the Scotch Hills Country Club in Scotch Plains. For trip details, please call Jean DeTorre at (908) 889-4121 or Mary De Jesso at (908) 654-4512. Club information is available by calling Olga Bruce at (908) 322-8530.

### Caregivers Meeting Slated For Monday

WESTFIELD – A support group for those caring for elderly or chronically ill loved ones will meet at 8 p.m. on Monday, May 1, in the St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church parish center on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield. Meetings are held on the first non-holiday Monday of every month. These are information and sharing sessions. For more details, please call Marilyn Ryan at (908) 233-8757.

### Garwood Knights Slate Blood Drive

GARWOOD – The Garwood Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive on Saturday, May 6, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at its council hall, located at 37 South Avenue in Garwood, opposite PathMark. Parking is available behind the hall off Willow Avenue. For additional information, please call the Knights after 4 p.m. on weekdays at (908) 789-9809.

"The Best Ways to Care for the Teeth of Senior Citizens." A question-and-answer period will follow.

Chapter members are asked to donate canned and boxed grocery items to benefit the homeless and needy, as well as costume jewelry for use as bingo game prizes for patients at Runnells Specialized Hospital of Union County in Berkeley Heights.

The chapter's luncheon on Tuesday, June 6, will take place at noon at The Westwood in Garwood and will feature an international buffet and musical entertainment. Members may bring guests. The cost is \$20 per person for the luncheon, gratuity and entertainment. Reservations for the luncheon, which will replace the chapter's June meeting, may be made at Monday's meeting or by calling Luncheon Chairwoman Marie Stock at (908) 925-2536.

A trip entitled "The Railroads of New England," featuring scenic views of Vermont and New Hampshire, is set for Monday through Thursday, June 19 to 22. A fully escorted tour with most meals and gratuities included, it is open to both members and non-members. Lodging will be at the Mount Snow Inn in Vermont and the Indian Head Resort in New Hampshire.

The cost will be \$712 for double accommodations, \$813 for single and \$694 for triple. Reservations may be made at the Monday meeting or by calling Trips and Tours Chairwoman Marie Walsh at (732) 669-0399.

### Miller-Cory to Feature Straw Hat Weaving

WESTFIELD – Eileen O'Shea of Summit will offer a straw hat weaving demonstration on Sunday, April 30, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Miller-Cory House Museum, located at 614 Mountain Avenue in Westfield.

Ms. O'Shea will demonstrate how Colonial era women wove and braided these hats for fashion as well as sun protection. She also will describe the lengthy process for preparing the straw, from gathering it in the fields to bleaching it over live coals. A variety of hats will be displayed.

Volunteers in authentic period dress will be available to give tours of the pre-revolutionary farmhouse. In the museum's Frazee Building, members of the Cooking Committee will demonstrate open hearth cooking methods and offer taste treats to visitors. The gift shop will be open as well.

Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults, 50 cents for students and free for children under age six. Upcoming programs include "Message in a Bottle" on May 7, "18th Century Folk Music" on May 21 and "18th Century Herbs" on June 4. For more information, please call the museum office weekdays mornings at (908) 232-1776.



MR. AND MRS. CHRISTOPHER M. COLYER  
(She is the former Miss Caroline Pretre)

## Miss Caroline Pretre Weds Christopher M. Colyer

Miss Caroline Pretre, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pretre of Westfield, was married on Saturday, October 8, to Christopher M. Colyer. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Barry Colyer of Big Flats, N.Y.

The afternoon nuptials took place at the First Presbyterian Church in Hammondsport, N.Y. with the Reverend Graham Hart of Sarasota, Fla., the bridegroom's uncle, officiating. A reception followed at the Esperanza Mansion in Bluff Point, N.Y.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a strapless, A-line gown featuring ivory lace over champagne satin and embroidered with pearls and beads. A fingertip veil complemented her gown. The bride carried a bouquet of pink calla lilies.

Mrs. Christine Gibeault of Robbinsville and Mrs. Kristie Poyer of Lancaster, Pa., both friends of the bride, served as matrons of honor. Dr. Jessica Colyer of Washington, D.C., the bridegroom's sister-in-law, and Mrs. Collette Pretre of Cranford, the bride's sister-in-law, were bridal attendants. All wore strapless black georgette gowns and carried bouquets of pink calla lilies.

Miss Kaitlyn Colyer of Morgantown, W. Va., the bridegroom's niece, was the flower girl. She wore a sleeveless ivory dress, made by the mother of the bridegroom, with lace on the bodice matching that on the bride's gown. She carried a single pink calla lily.

Garett Vail of Raleigh, N.C. and Carter Shields of Tahoe City, Calif., both friends of the bridegroom, were the best men. Serving as ushers were Dr. Marcus Colyer of Washington, D.C. and Dr. Corey Colyer of Morgantown, W. Va., the bridegroom's brothers, and Edward Pretre, Jr. of Cranford, the bride's brother.

P. Paul Snezek of Wheaton, Ill., the bridegroom's uncle, did a reading.

A 1995 Westfield High School graduate, the bride received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa. in 1999. She is employed as an editor with Bruce Leeb & Co. in Fair Lawn.

The bridegroom graduated from Corning East High School in 1995 and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting from Messiah College in Grantham, Pa. in 1999. He received his Master of Science in Taxation from Seton Hall University in South Orange in 2002 and his Master of Business Administration degree from Rutgers University in Newark in 2005. Mr. Colyer is employed as a tax manager with Wiss & Co. in Livingston.

A bridal shower was given by the bride party in May at The Pointe at Port Liberty in Jersey City.

The parents of the bridegroom hosted the rehearsal dinner the evening before the wedding at Sarrasin's on the Lake in Penn Yan, N.Y.

Following a wedding trip to Aruba, the couple resides in Livingston.

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Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at



18 Shalom Way, Scotch Plains (908) 889-1830

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For information about upcoming programs call 908-889-1830 or email KeruvCoalition@yahoo.com

Sunday, June 11 at Congregation Beth El in South Orange:  
"Sharing Stories - Finding Your Place in the Synagogue Community"

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