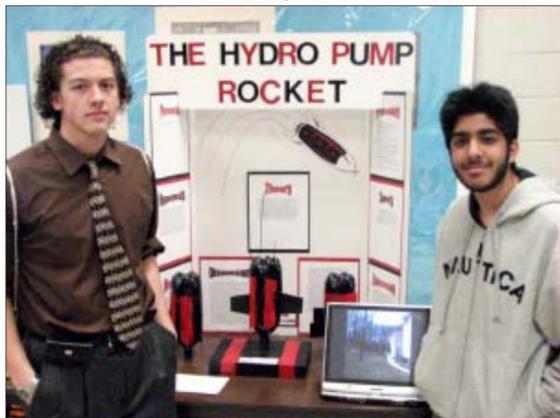




COMING TO YOU LIVE...Jackson Frontero researched the southeast region of the United States. To illustrate the effects of hurricane Andrew, he "broadcasts" a live feed to the students in the fourth grade classroom at Wilson School.



SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY...Chris Georgevich of Elizabeth, left, and Sahil Zubair of Scotch Plains, explore rocket propulsion in "The Hydro Pump Rocket" experiment at the third annual Science & Math Society Science Fair at The Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison.

WH Science and Math Fair Features Innovative Ideas

AREA - On the evening of Thursday, April 26, the Science and Math Society at The Wardlaw-Hartridge School in Edison, which is led by junior Azim Sonawalla, hosted its

Edison Opera Co. Present *Black Magic*

WESTFIELD - Edison Intermediate School students in the "I Know What You Did Last Opera" Opera Company will present their original opera production of *Black Magic* at 7:30 p.m. tonight, today, May 10, in the school's auditorium at 800 Rahway Avenue.

Daytime performances for school students will be held today and tomorrow, May 10 and 11.

The opera program at Edison began several years ago as a result of a grant that provided professional instruction and guidance from the Metropolitan Opera Company to Edison School advisors.

The opera is a collaborative effort by the students who choose the theme of each original opera. The students decide what jobs they prefer and audition for them.

The jobs include performing, set design, public relations, writing, carpentry, electricians, costume designers, composers, stage managers and historians.

Students encourage the public to attend. For more information on the afternoon performance, call for details at (908) 789-4470.

third annual Science Fair at the school.

The judges included Howard Freeman (Dean of Studies, Middle School Science and Upper School Math teacher), Randy Rogers (1981 Wardlaw-Hartridge graduate, Board of Trustees President and parent), and Dmitry Misyura (2006 graduate). He currently studies at Rutgers University, School of Engineering.

Chemistry teacher and advisor to the Science and Math Society Roland Marianni applauded the efforts of the students, who were primarily ninth and 10th graders.

Head of School Andy Webster, who attended the event, also said, "I was very impressed with the research efforts and the degree of polish of the finished projects."

Two finished projects included "Effect of Music on Plant Growth" by Zachary Gowen of Scotch Plains and "Best Fuel" by Justin Schwartz of Westfield and Joe Condora of Linden.

Meanwhile, across the room, Sahil Zubair of Scotch Plains and Chris Georgevich of Elizabeth determined how and if pressurized water could be used in rocket propulsion through their project, "The Hydro Pump Rocket."

Courtney Fox-Sherman Honored by Rutgers

WESTFIELD - Courtney Fox-Sherman was honored on March 31 for being one of 250 outstanding freshmen at Rutgers University and also was named to the dean's list.

Woman's Club Announces Poetry Contest Winners

WESTFIELD - The Woman's Club of Westfield has announced the winners of its Youth Poetry and Short Story Contest.

The winners are as follows: Grace Pettit, Woman's Club of Westfield winner for Poetry (Category One) for her poem "Westfield, My Home Town." Grace is in the third grade at Washington School in Westfield.

Alessandra LoConte, Woman's Club of Westfield winner and also third place winner for New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs third place-poetry (Category Three) for her poem "First Loves." Ali is in the eighth grade at the Orange School in Cranford.

The following are winners of both the Woman's Club of Westfield contest and first place winners of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs (NJSFWC): First place - Poetry (Category Two) - Jack Lynch for his poem "Derby." Jack is in the fifth grade at Franklin School in Westfield.

First Place - (Category Four) - Liz Lynch for her poem "Sixty Four Three-Inch Tubes of Happiness." Liz is a junior at the Pingry School.

First Place - Short Story (Category Two) - Meredith Bagger for her short story "The Lucky Hat." Meredith is a fourth grader at Washington School in Westfield.

The poems and short story of these first place NJSFWC winners have

been sent on to be judged by General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC). The national winners will be announced at the GFWC International Convention in Philadelphia this June.

Franklin Mother's Day Sale Set for Tomorrow

WESTFIELD - The annual Franklin School Mother's Day Plant sale will be held tomorrow, May 11, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the Newton Place side of the school.

A large assortment of flowers and herbs will be available in flats, planters and hanging baskets. Those attending can shop for their gardens as well as their mothers. The Terrill Road Country Market will restock plants throughout the day.

For those who are unable to make the sale or would like to get an early start, they can still support Franklin School. Terrill Road Country Market has agreed to donate 10 percent of their in-store proceeds for the month of May to Franklin School.

This promotion is running now through Thursday, May 31. People who would like to help can buy plants at Terrill Road Country Market and mention Franklin School. Workers will automatically donate 10 percent back to the school. Terrill Road Country Market is located at 190 Terrill Road in Plainfield.



ALIVE POET SOCIETY...The Woman's Club of Westfield announced the winners of its Youth Poetry and Short Story Contest. Winners included, from left to right, Grace Pettit, Liz Lynch, Meredith Bagger, Jack Lynch and Alessandra LoConte.

Astronomers Will Discuss Moons on May 18 at UCC

CRANFORD - The Amateur Astronomers Inc. will conduct its monthly membership meeting on Friday, May 18, at 8 p.m. in the Main Lecture Hall of the Nohmegan Building at Union County College, located at 1033 Springfield Avenue in Cranford. Immediately following the 9 p.m. business meeting, club members will present findings from their own astronomical projects.

Following the members' presentations, attendees will be invited to the William Miller Sperry Observatory, located nearby on campus, and will have the opportunity to speak with club members and tour the facility. Refreshments will be served. If weather permits, a celestial viewing focusing on Saturn will be conducted using the club's two large telescopes.

In addition to the monthly meetings held on the third Friday of each month from September through May, more informal meetings are held on the remaining Fridays at Sperry Observatory at 7:30 p.m.

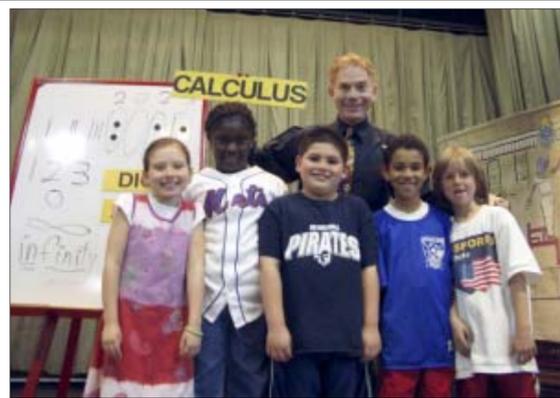
A program for younger audiences is held with topics that include the constellations and phases of the moon. Arrangements can be made for groups to attend by contacting Anthony Espinoza at symmetry57@hotmail.com.

At 8:30 p.m., programs for the general public are presented. On June 1, Alan Witzall will present, "The Exploration of 4 Vesta, Updated." On June 22, Ray Shapp will present, "The Dawn Mission to Vesta and Ceres." If weather permits, there will be celestial viewing throughout the evening.

All meetings and lectures have no admission fee and are open to the public. Free parking is provided. For more information on AAI and directions visit asterism.org or call (908) 276-STAR.

FW Resident Named To AU Dean's List

FANWOOD - Katie Zaleski, a sophomore in the College of Arts and Sciences at American University, majoring in biology, was named to the fall 2006 dean's list. Katie is a Fanwood native. To earn dean's list placement at American University, a student must obtain a 3.5 grade-point average or better on their semester courses.



"MATHEMAGICIAN"...Magician Bradley Fields, pictured with students from Brunner Elementary School, used magic to teach math skills at a recent performance of "MatheMagic" at Brunner Elementary School on April 24.

Magician Teaches Math Skills to Brunner Students

SCOTCH PLAINS - Rope tricks and slight-of-hand demonstrations were just a few of the acts performed by magician Bradley Fields during an April 24 performance of "MatheMagic" at Brunner Elementary School in Scotch Plains.

"MatheMagic" is a show that uses magic to teach math. Specifically designed for school audiences, the show encourages students to practice important classroom skills.

"Mr. Fields' performance was much more than just a magic show," said

learned about ancient times and I really liked the coin trick."

An acclaimed magician, Mr. Fields is an actor and director. He was also once a teacher in the New York City Public Schools. It was there that he conceived the idea of "MatheMagic."

The show was one of several performances sponsored this year by the Cultural Arts Committee of the Brunner Parent Teachers Association.

In February, Brunner hosted Washington Productions for two performances of *A Seat for Rosa*, a tale of Rosa Parks and the events that led to the beginning of the Civil Rights movement in America.

WF's Salmond Earns 'Who's Who' Status

WESTFIELD - Erin Salmond of Westfield has been included in the 2007 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

She is among the 78 students from The University of Scranton's undergraduate colleges who have been selected as national outstanding leaders.

FW Students Make W & M Dean's List

FANWOOD - Fanwood's Carolyn DiProspero, Catherine Madurski and Katherine Van Haasteren were named to The College of William and Mary Dean's List for the fall 2006 semester.

In order to achieve dean's list status, a full-time degree-seeking undergraduate student must take at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.6 Quality Point Average during the semester.

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