

Scholarship Foundation to Canvass House-to-House

SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD - On Saturday, March 31, and Sunday, April 1, the Scotch Plains Fanwood Scholarship Foundation (Foundation) will launch the second phase of its Dollars for Students campaign.

High school students who have applied to the Foundation for scholarship assistance will knock on doors in their neighborhoods to ask the community for their support in reaching the Foundation's goal of raising \$25,000 to fund scholarships to be given in 2012. Students will also collect donations outside area businesses.

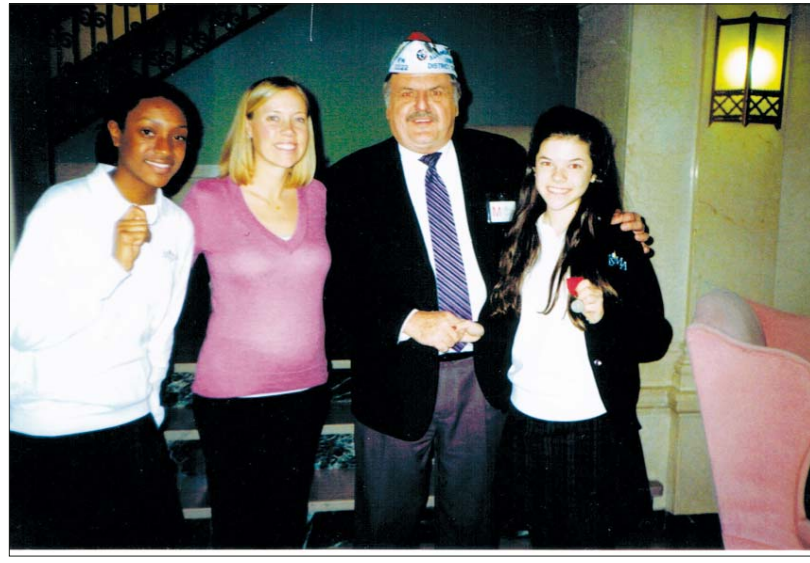
The Foundation has been distributing scholarship assistance to area youth for the past 46 years, awarding \$2,234,792 in scholarship aid to 2,340 students. Last year, with the community's assistance, the Foundation was able to award 95 students \$141,650 in scholarship aid. In 2012, 142 students have applied for scholarship assistance and the Foundation would like to be able to distribute an equal amount in scholarship aid to

those chosen by our broad-based screening committee.

Mary Ball Cappio, President of the Foundation, states, "Last year's house-to-house canvass was very successful. We hope our community will once again support our efforts to financially assist our students and to send them off to college knowing that their community cares and stands with them"

Contributions are fully tax-deductible and 100 percent of the funds raised will be used to aid high school and college students in achieving their higher education goals. If a resident is not contacted in person or does not find an envelope left by a student, they may send their donation to the Scotch Plains Fanwood Scholarship Foundation, PO Box 123, Fanwood, New Jersey 07023.

In addition to its fundraising efforts, the Foundation administers scholarships sponsored by 24 local individuals and organizations, as well as administering the capital of 21 established scholarship funds.



CONGRATULATIONS...Scotch Plains-Fanwood Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 10122 announced the winners of its Voice of Democracy Scholarship competition. Pictured, left to right, are: Tashanique Brown, third place winner; Katie Gillen, Mount Saint Mary's Academy teacher; Frank Chupko, VFW Commander and Scholarship Chair and Kelly O'Connor, first place winner.

O'Connor Places First in VFW Scholarship Competition

WESTFIELD - Kelly A. O'Connor of Westfield, a student at Mount Saint Mary's Academy in Watchung, placed first in District 5 (Union County) Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program. Kelly was sponsored by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood VFW Post 10122. Kelly submitted a short tape based on this year's theme, "Is there pride in serving in our military?"

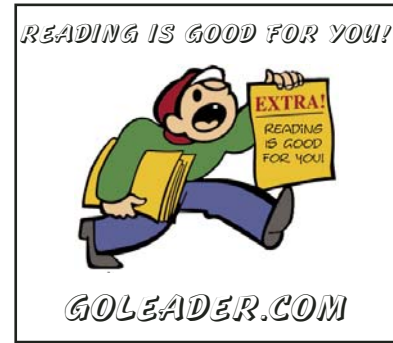
On the local level, Benjamin Ratner of Scotch Plains, a student at Union County Magnet High School, placed second and Tashanique A. Brown, a student at Mount Saint Mary's place third.

Kelly and Benjamin's tapes were submitted and judged with entries from all over Union County. Kelly prevailed as the District 5 winner and became one of 21 state finalists who competed for an opportunity to

win an all expense paid trip to Washington, D. C. and the chance to win a \$30,000 scholarship.

Although Kelly did not win the state title, all local and district winners received cash prizes, plaques and certificates.

VFW Post 10122 congratulates Kelly and all the local and county winners for their outstanding accomplishments.



How to Make the Most Of Spring College Visits

REGION - Chyten Educational Services in Millburn will host a workshop, "Making the Most of Spring College Visits," for parents and students, on Tuesday, March 27, at 7:30 p.m. Conducted by Chyten's College Counselor, Melissa Rodriguez, this workshop will explore how to turn your college campus visit into a personal connection that will be reflected on the college application.

All high school students will discover how to get the most out of the visit by knowing: what to do and what not to do; what to ask and

what not to ask; and what to wear and what not to wear. There will be tips, checklists and examples so you don't miss the finer points concerning academics, campus life, social opportunities and more! You also will receive advice on how not to FORGET what you experienced.

Reserve your space today to attend the workshop. Call Maureen McGovern at (973) 564-5220. Chyten of Millburn, 227 Millburn Avenue, Millburn, N.J. 07401.

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NEW STORE...JX Jewelry Exchange, a family-owned business, has expanded their Springfield store to Westfield. Attending the most recent ribbon cutting pictured, from left to right, are: Lukas Miksi-Sahdo, JX Jewelry Exchange; Chris Devine, Greater Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce (GWACC) Director; Rebecca Miksi-Sahdo, JX Jewelry Exchange; Elias Miksi-Sahdo, JX Jewelry Exchange; Bob Dowdy, GWACC Director; Mayor Andy Skibitsky, Ron Shovlin, GWACC Director and Mitchell Beinhaker, GWACC Chairman.

New Jersey's Oldest Art School Celebrates 85 Years

PLAINFIELD - On Sunday, March 25, from 2 - 5 p.m., the duCret School of Art will host a very special 85th Anniversary Faculty-Alumni Art Show and Sale. If ever there were a way to meet history in person, it would be at this year's art show celebration.

Amassing at this year's show are the works of over fifty notable duCret artists, many who have be-

come either nationally or internationally known in the recent decades.

The 85th Year Celebration Art Show and Sale Opening Reception will be held in the school's auditorium at 1030 Central Ave. Plainfield. The event is free and refreshments will be served.

For more information call (908) 757-7171.

PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE	PUBLIC NOTICE
BOARD OF EDUCATION					
302 ELM STREET					
WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY 07090					
Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of Westfield, in the County of Union, New Jersey, that a public hearing on the proposed budget for the 2012-2013 school year will be held on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, at 8:00 PM.					
The budget will be on file in the Office of the Secretary of the Board of Education, 302 Elm Street, Westfield, New Jersey, for examination by the public between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM each school day.					
The School District has proposed programs and services in addition to the core curriculum content standards adopted by the State Board of Education. Information on this budget and the programs and services it provides is available for your local school district.					
Vincent Yaniro Interim Business Administrator					

ENROLLMENT CATEGORY	OCTOBER 15, 2010 ACTUAL	OCTOBER 15, 2011 ACTUAL	OCTOBER 15, 2012 ESTIMATED
Pupils on Roll Regular Full-Time	5362	5319	5326
Pupils on Roll Regular Shared-Time	10		11
Pupils on Roll - Special Full-Time	910	935	920
Pupils on Roll - Special Shared-Time	17	12	15
Subtotal - Pupils on Roll	6299	6266	6272
Private School Placements	73	68	93
Pupils Sent to Other Districts-Reg Prog			35
Pupils Sent to Other Dists-Spec Ed Prog	22	25	26
Pupils Received	2	3	3

BUDGET CATEGORY	ACCOUNT	2010-11 ACTUAL	2011-12 REVISED	2012-13 ANTICIPATED
OPERATING BUDGET				
Budgeted Fund Balance - Operating Budget	10-303		800,000	1,456,746
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	10-1210	81,379,595	83,007,187	84,667,331
Tuition	10-1300	99,326	34,697	34,697
Transportation Fees from Individuals	10-1410	8,648	8,648	8,648
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX	936,833	1,047,665	290,655
SUBTOTAL		82,424,402	84,054,852	85,001,331
Revenues from State Sources:				
Extraordinary Aid	10-3131	1,284,997	670,351	1,000,000
Other State Aids	10-3XXX	43,112		
Categorical Special Education Aid	10-3132	448,345	2,139,242	2,621,839
Categorical Security Aid	10-3177		91,160	91,160
Categorical Transportation Aid	10-3121		119,317	119,317
SUBTOTAL		1,776,454	2,809,593	3,832,316
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Medicaid Reimbursement	10-4200		26,138	23,350
Education Jobs Fund	18-4522		154,725	23,350
SUBTOTAL			180,863	23,350
Actual Revenues (Over) /Under Expenditures		-2,417,523		
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		81,783,333	87,845,308	90,313,743

GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS	ACCOUNT	2010-11 ACTUAL	2011-12 REV. APPROP.	2012-13 APPROPRIATIONS
Revenues from Local Sources	20-1XXX	104,714		182,075
Revenues from State Sources:				
Other Restricted Entitlements	20-32XX	162,610	243,541	192,431
TOTAL REVENUES FROM STATE SOURCES		162,610	243,541	192,431
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
Title I	20-4411-4416	177,295	159,598	159,598
Title II	20-4451-4455	102,050	98,883	98,883
Title III	20-4491-4494	4,922	12,134	12,134
Title IV	20-4471-4474	2,875	11,056	11,056
I.D.E.A. Part B (Handicapped)	20-4420-4429	2,388,301	1,462,298	1,479,486
TOTAL REVENUES FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		2,675,443	1,743,969	1,748,348
TOTAL GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS		2,942,767	1,987,510	2,122,854
REPAYMENT OF DEBT				
Budgeted Fund Balance	40-303		1,577	43,094
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	40-1210	2,534,127	2,537,247	2,527,277
TOTAL REVENUES FROM LOCAL SOURCES		2,534,127	2,537,247	2,527,277
Revenues from State Sources:				
Debt Service Aid Type II	40-3160	402,020	342,105	353,654
TOTAL LOCAL REPAYMENT OF DEBT		2,936,147	2,880,929	2,924,025
Actual Revenues (Over) /Under Expenditures		-43,061		
TOTAL REPAYMENT OF DEBT		2,893,086	2,880,929	2,924,025
TOTAL REVENUES/SOURCES		87,619,186	92,713,747	95,360,622

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GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE				
Instruction:				
Regular Programs	11-1XX-100-XXX	27,909,342	29,556,688	32,761,258
Special Education	11-2XX-100-XXX	5,708,255	6,034,830	6,244,892
Basic Skills/Remedial	11-230-100-XXX	720,569	723,206	671,313
Bilingual Education	11-240-100-XXX	224,096	220,010	149,032
School-Spon. Co/Extra-Curr. Activities	11-401-100-XXX	375,472	320,258	173,888
School Sponsored Athletics	11-402-100-XXX	901,423	983,679	1,068,398
Support Services:				
Tuition	11-000-100-XXX	6,403,845	6,737,915	7,123,914
Attendance and Social Work Services	11-000-211-XXX	48,058	48,126	47,880
Health Services	11-000-213-XXX	1,356,188	1,411,639	1,558,153
Speech, OT, PT, Related & Extraordinary Services	11-000-216-217	3,408,639	3,483,303	3,638,960
Guidance	11-000-218-XXX	1,669,716	1,817,399	2,026,396
Child Study Teams	11-000-219-XXX	1,785,122	1,760,696	1,599,482
Improvement of Instructional Services	11-000-221-XXX	1,064,060	1,155,246	1,198,894
Educational Media Services - School Library	11-000-222-XXX	854,533	975,357	969,382

INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	ACCOUNT	2010-11 ACTUAL	2011-12 REVISED	2012-13 ANTICIPATED
Instructional Staff Training Services	11-000-223-XXX	29,051	56,683	72,264
General Administration	11-000-230-XXX	1,674,901	1,752,036	1,785,966
School Administration	11-000-240-XXX	3,220,902	3,364,690	3,445,496
Central Svcs & Admin Info Technology	11-000-25X-XXX	1,970,123	1,941,341	1,801,290
Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	11-000-26X-XXX	6,108,844	6,176,748	6,027,002
Student Transportation Services	11-000-270-XXX	2,264,653	2,591,150	2,562,200
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	11-XXX-XXX-2XX	14,026,901	16,706,449	15,312,000
Total Support Services Expenditures		45,885,536	49,978,778	49,169,279
TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE		81,724,693	87,800,449	90,238,060
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES				
Equipment	12-XXX-XXX-73X	37,960		17,634
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	12-000-4XX-XXX	20,680	34,986	48,015
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES		58,640	34,986	65,649
Transfer of Funds to Charter Schools	10-000-100-56X		9,873	10,034
OPERATING BUDGET GRAND TOTAL		81,783,333	87,845,308	90,313,743
SPECIAL GRANTS AND ENTITLEMENTS				
Local Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	104,714		182,075
Other State Projects:				
Nonpublic Textbooks	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	27,431		26,491
Nonpublic Auxiliary Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	33,236		43,054
Nonpublic Handicapped Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	67,681		86,580
Nonpublic Nursing Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	34,262		36,306
Other Special Projects			243,541	
Total State Projects		162,610	243,541	192,431
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Repayment of Debt - Regular	40-701-510-XXX	2,893,086	2,880,929	2,924,025
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Total Expenditures		87,619,186	92,713,747	95,360,622
DEDUCT EXPENDITURES INCLUDED IN MULTIPLE FUNDS DUE TO TRANSFERS:				
Local Contribution - Transfer to Special Revenue	11-1XX-100-93X			
Capital Reserve - Transfer to Repayment of Debt	12-000-400-933			
Transfer Property Sale Proceeds to Debt Svc Res	11-000-520-934			
TOTAL EXPENDITURES NET OF TRANSFERS:		87,619,186	92,713,747	95,360,622

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