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### **WESTFIELD AREA Y'S DEVILFISH BOYS BREAK STATE RECORD**

VETERANS DAY The Westfield Area Y is pleased to announce the Y COMMEMORATION Devilfish Boys 13 & 14 Relay consisting of Eric Bebel, sponsored by the Jack Cifelli, Teddy Diamantopoulos and Ryan Bebel Martin Wallberg American broke the NJ Swimming State 13 &14 Boys 200 Legion Post No. 3, Freestyle Relay record with a time of 1:31.83 at the with coffee and pastries after the ceremonies, YMCA State Championship Meet held in Lancaster, WEDNESDAY PA in March 2015. The four boys accompanied by NOVEMBER 11TH Coach Ashley Ellis were recognized on Saturday, October 10th at the Raritan Valley Community College AT MEMORIAL PLACE, in Branchburg Township, NJ by two former **CORNER OF EAST BROAD** Olympians; Summer Sanders and Caitlin Leverenz. ST. AND NORTH AVENUE.

"We are so proud of our swimmers," stated Westfield Area Y Devilfish Coach, Ashley Ellis.

(right,l-r) Olympian Summer Sanders, Westfield Area Y Coach Ashley Ellis, swimmers Teddy Diamantopoulos, Ryan Bebel, Olympian Caitlin Leverenz and swimmers Jack Cifelli and Eric Bebel.



### **DEVILFISH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI FUN RELAY MEET A SUCCESS**

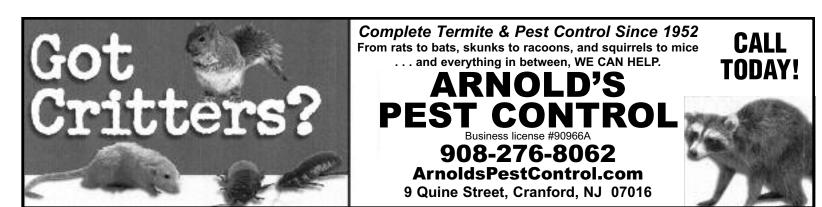
The Westfield Area Y Devilfish recently held their Annual Spaghetti Fun Relay meet at the Main Y facility, 220 Clark Street in Westfield. More than 200 Devilfish swimmers participated. Swimmers and their families then headed over to the Bauer Branch on East Broad Street for a spaghetti dinner. The infamous spaghetti eating contest was won this

year by Devilfish Ryan Daniel.

The Westfield Area Y Devilfish are a nationally-recognized competitive swim team of over 200 athletes ages 6-18 years that compete in USA Swimming and YMCA Swimming dual and invitational meets. Qualifying swimmers also compete at regional and national meets.



(above) Devilfish swimmers had fun at their Annual Spaghetti Fun Relay meet!



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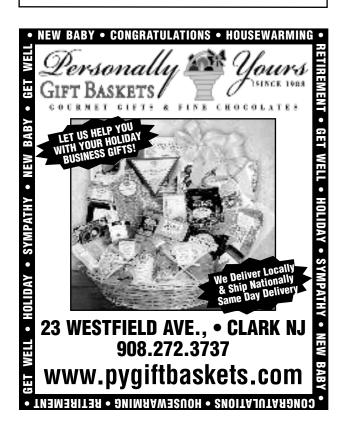
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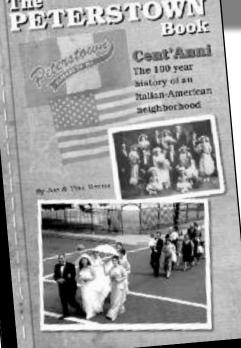


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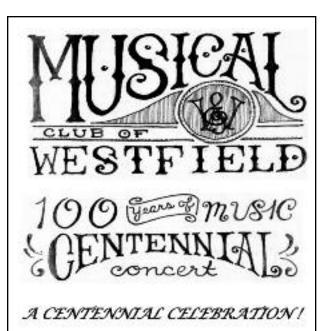
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### AMERICAN REPERTORY BALLET TO PERFORM NUTCRACKER AT UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER

American Repertory Ballet, New Jersey's top professional ballet company, will return to Rahway, NJ this year with two performances of Nutcracker at Union County Performing Arts Center. To further connect with the Rahway community, American Repertory Ballet recently held auditions for local Rahway children in grades K-2 to perform alongside its professional dancers in Nutcracker on Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22 at 2:00pm.

On Saturday, October 3, 2015, twelve children auditioned for the role of the mice in ARB's Nutcracker. The mice take part in the famous battle scene in the ballet, where the main character Clara dreams that tiny mice in her living room grow giant and take on the army of toy soldiers and the Nutcracker prince.

The six children that were selected to perform as this year's Nutcracker Community Mice are: Madison Ferreira (1st Grade) and Elisha Mena (2nd Grade) from Franklin School, Raquelle Reinoso (K) from Madison School, Kyra Jones (K) and Evan Martin (2nd Grade) from Roosevelt School, and Anastasia Rachinsky (1st Grade) from St. John Vianney.

The mission of American Repertory Ballet (ARB) is "to bring the joy, beauty, artistry and discipline of classical and contemporary dance to New Jersey and nationwide audiences through public performances and to dance students through artistic and educational programs." This year's "Community Mice Initiative" aims at fulfilling this mission in an immersive way that will expose children to a professional environment and challenge them to achieve performance goals.

"We are thrilled to bring this opportunity to the children of Rahway," says Lisa Beth Vettoso, Director of Educational and Community Programming. "Rahway is an incredibly supportive and artistic community, and the 'Community Mice Initiative' offers local children not only an exciting performance opportunity, but also a wonderful, immersive learning experience with role models in the arts."

Rahway Community Mice rehearsals begin Saturday, October 10, 2015.

In a continuing effort to reach all types of audiences, ARB will also offer its first Sensory Friendly performance of Nutcracker on Sunday, November 22 at 1:00pm at UCPAC.

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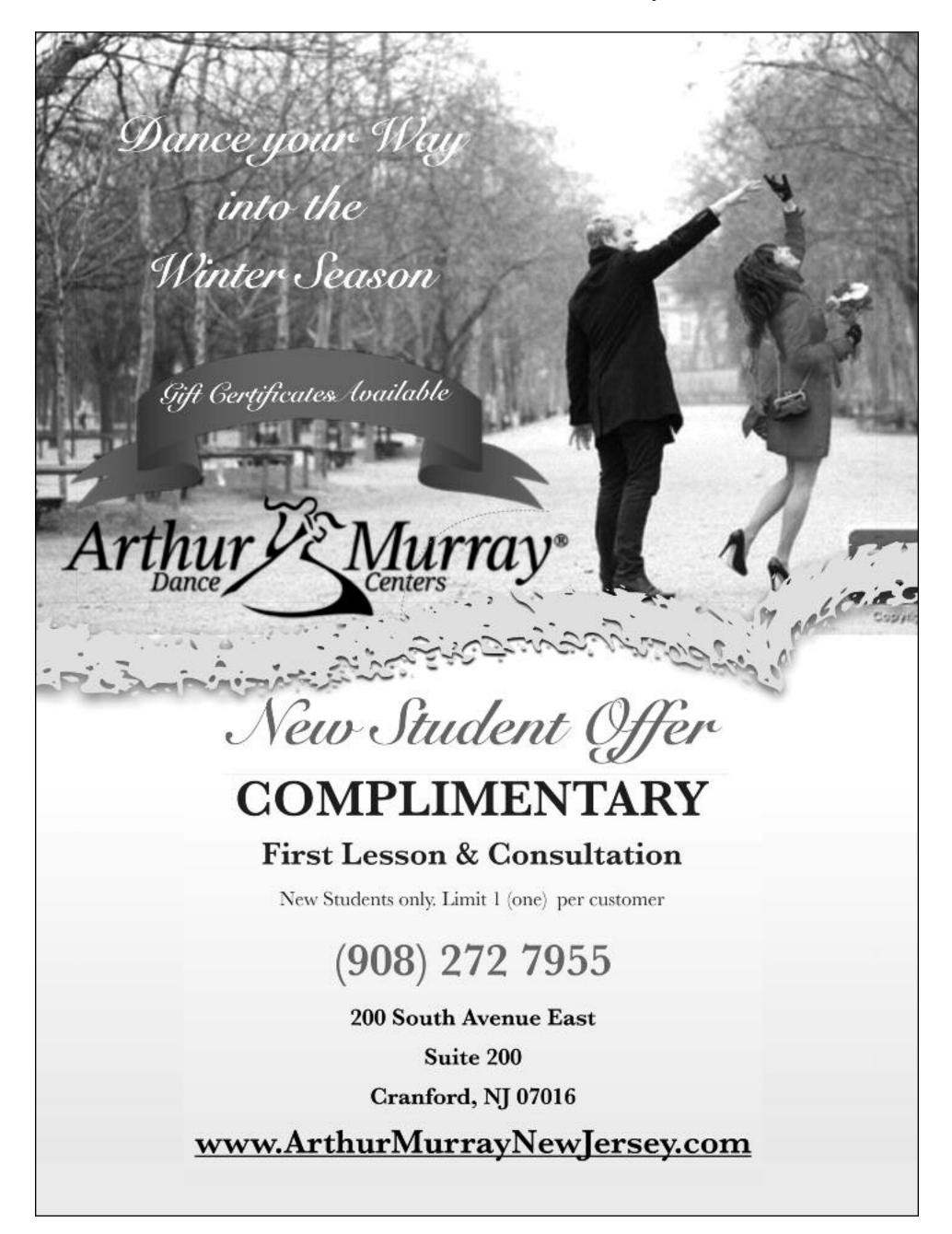
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### WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR WINS **MUSICAL CLUB POSTER CONTEST**

Savickas, is the winner of a poster contest sponsored by the Musical Club of Westfield. Her artwork was selected for the program cover of the Club's Centennial Concert scheduled for Sunday, November 22. Claudia, who has been an art student of Westfield High Schoolis shown receiving a \$200 prize for her award-winning poster from (1-r) Musical Club of Westfield

Westfield High School Senior, Claudia President Beverly Shea and Scholarship Chair Drude Crane. The Club is celebrating its 100th year with a Scholarship Concert, which is open to the public, on November 22, at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm Street. Founded in 1915, the Musical Club of Westfield has bestowed scholarships to promising young musicians since 1922 and has helped over 140 differentstudents over the past 93 years.



(above) Claudia, who has been an art student of Westfield High School is shown receiving a \$200 prize for her award-winning poster from (l-r) Musical Club of Westfield President Beverly Shea and Scholarship Chair Drude Crane.

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### Westfield MONTHLY • Page 8 • November 2015 CONCERT CELEBRATES 100TH YEAR OF MUSICAL CLUB



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Danielle Bracco (Danielle@bondsofcourage.org) Christine Bradley (Chrisb@bondsofcourage.org) The Musical Club of Westfield, a non-forprofit organization which encourages the musical arts through performance and scholarship support, will present a Centennial Scholarship Concert on Sunday, November 22 3:00 PM at The First Baptist Church of Westfield, 170 Elm Street, Westfield NJ.

The program will feature past and recent scholarship recipients including Kathleen Bride, Jordan Hendy and Matt Sklar.

Matthew Sklar was encouraged by his music teacher at Edison Intermediate School, Kristine Smith-Morasso, to compose a song for eighthgrade graduation. He sent the song to the Mickey Mouse Club, which recorded it. He was active in Westfield High School music and drama, and the Westfield Summer Workshop. Matt graduated with honors from Juilliard's Pre-College Division in composition. His piece, Symphonics was premiered at Lincoln Center by the Juilliard Pre-College Orchestra under his baton. He graduated from New York University in 1995. Matt began work on Broadway at age eighteen. He has been a pianist, conductor, and dance music arranger for many productions including Shrek, 42nd Street, Miss Saigon, Les Misérables, Nine and Caroline, or Change. He was nominated for the 2006 Tony Award for Best Original Score for The Wedding Singer. He also composed the music for the hit musical Elf and for his own musicals. The Rhythm Club, Judas and Me and the Wicked City.

Kathleen Bride, a graduate of The Juilliard School, is a professor of harp at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York, and visiting professor at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester, England. Prior to Eastman, she was chairman of the harp department at Manhattan School of Music. She has been artist in residence at both the Universities of Puerto Rico and Hawaii. Kathy has been guest recitalist at the Cheltenham International Festival of Music, the Maria Korchinska International Harp Competition, Holland Harp Week, American Harp Society National Conference, and Lincoln Center Project. She has been soloist with Colonial Symphony, New Jersey Symphony, Ridgewood Chamber Orchestra, Wayne Chamber Orchestra, Scranton Philharmonic, and Korean Chamber Ensemble. As solo harpist on a European tour with the Juilliard Ensemble of Contemporary Music and composer Luciano Berio, Kathy recorded contemporary chamber music on the Philips and RCA Victor La.

Jordan Hendy is a sophomore at The Juilliard School, studying violin performance with Professor Li Lin. Previously, he attended Juilliard's Pre-College Division as a student of Stephen Clapp and I Hao Lee. His piano trio was the only pre-college group picked to perform at the Juilliard ChamberFest 2014. In spring 2015, he was selected to perform Le Nozze de Figaro with the Juilliard Orchestra and Opera; also he auditioned for, and won, a three year teacher's assistant job in Ear Training under Dr. Wayne Oquin. He maintains a home studio in violin and piano every Saturday. Jordan performs extensively to fund-raise for charities such as the World Youth Alliance, Wafaa Younis Violin Project for Israel, Autism Speaks, Mosquito Net Project for Ministry of Hope, and Hearts for Honduras. In his free time, he serves on the worship team in Meyersville Presbyterian Church in Gillette, and Evangel Church in Scotch Plains.



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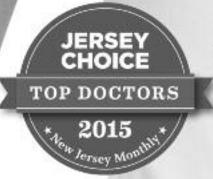


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Ms. Lange and Ms. Murphy's program will highlight the lifestyle of the Lenape prior to the arrival of the European colonists in New Jersey. The women gained expertise in their topic by attending Pow Wows, meeting with Lenapes, and conducting research at the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge in Morris County and at the Trailside Nature Science Center in the Watchung Reservation in Mountainside.

Their program will be part of the meeting of the Union Township Historical Society, which will begin at 2 pm. Non-members are cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. Admission is free; donations are greatly appreciated.

For more information,

please visit the Society's website www.uniontwphistoricalsociety.webs.com or call Barbara La Mort at 908-687-0048.





### 2015 VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION NOV. 11TH AT 11AM

On Wednesday, November 11th, at 11 am we will be hosting a celebration of Veteran's Day. The celebration will begin with the gathering of participants in the parking lot of Lord and Taylor at 10:45. Any veteran who wishes to participate in the march from the parking lot to the monuments in the center of town, are welcome to join us. At

approximately 10:55 we will depart the parking lot under police escort. The program at the monument will begin precisely at 11 o'clock and last about 20 minutes. There will be a few speakers and a presentation of wreaths.

Immediately following this service of acknowledgement to all of our veterans, our Post will be hosting a light luncheon that is open to all. The Martin Wallberg American Legion Post



#3 is located at 1003 North Ave West in Westfield. Please plan on attending both of these events, as it is, after all, a day to celebrate our efforts in defending the rights and freedoms that we cherish and live with on a daily basis. We should all be proud of those who have served and are presently serving our country.

Besides sharing in this celebration, it will give you an opportunity to see some of the improvements that we have completed and are in the process of actually doing at the American Legion. Due to the efforts of many of our active Legion, SAL, and Ladies Auxiliary members, these necessary improvements have taken place. It will also give you the opportunity to see and talk with some new and old friends and acquaintances.





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### 21 COMMENDED STUDENTS AT WESTFIELD HIGH

Westfield High School Principal Peter Renwick is pleased to announce that 21 students have been named Commended Students in the 2016 National Merit Scholarship Program.

According the National Merit Scholarship Program, these students place in the top five percent of the students in the country who took the Preliminary SAT/Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 2014:

Jake N. Barrow,ElCourtney E. Casale,JoAlbert A. Chen,AlRyan Q. Dang,JeMarina E. DeCotiis,RaSidharth Eleswarapu,FeAlan Y. Fang,NaJack J. Fico,BrCecile Fountain-Jardim,SaLiam J. Heinbokel,anFrank Anthony C. Guerriero,

Eloise C. Hendricks, Jordan W. Hindes, Alison E. Jaruzelski, Jesse P. Liu, Rachel J. Mattessich, Felicia M. Mermer, Nova L. Qi, Brooke Schaeffer, Sarah N. Steiner, and Diana C. Wu.

### WESTFIELD HS TEACHER PRESENTED VOYA UNSUNG HEROES AWARD

Susan Marie Terra, a science teacher at Westfield High School (WHS), was presented Voya's Unsung Heroes Award by Douglas Peters (at left), the company's K-12 Regional Vice President. The presentation of the \$2000 grant took place on October 21 during the WHS Science Faculty meeting presided by Supervisor David Stoneback (at right). Terra will use the grant to purchase equipment for laboratory investigations in her Forensics Science classes. Her innovative teaching idea, "Sowing Forensic STEM\* Seeds," is focused on teaching students how to separate, visualize and analyze DNA and how to collect real-time data. "These experiences will increase my students' achievements in science knowledge and skills in the use of technology," stated Terra. "They will sharpen their ability to work in teams, and above all, this project will encourage both STEM learning and career outcomes," she added. Selected from a group of nearly 1,000 applicants, Terra is one of only 100 winners across the country who will receive this award to help fund and bring her program to life. In addition she will now compete with other finalists for one of the top three prizes - an additional \$5,000, \$10,000 or \$25,000 from

Voya Financial. Voya awards grants to K-12 educators nationwide to honor their innovative teaching methods, creative educational projects, and their ability to positively influence the children they teach. (\* STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)



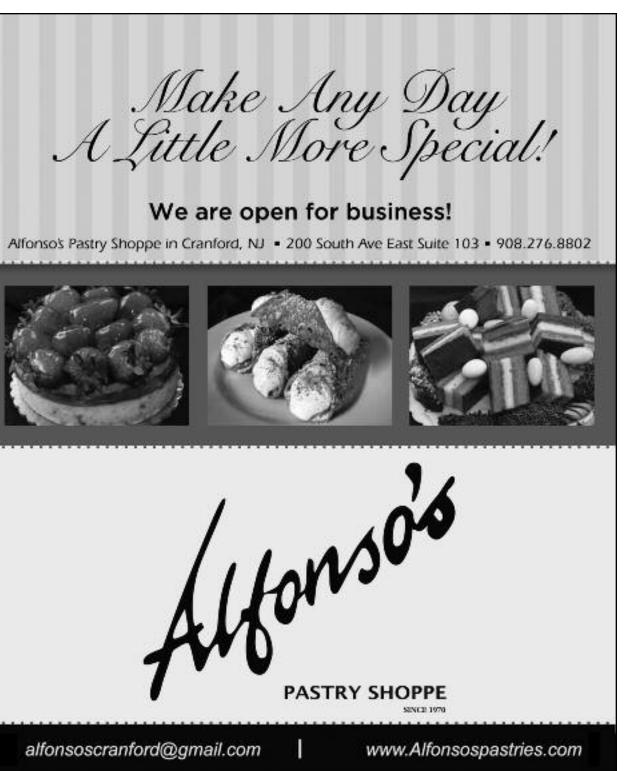
(above) Susan Marie Terra receives award.

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### 4 WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NAMED NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS

Four Westfield High School seniors were named 2016 National Merit Semi-Finalists. Westfield Board of Education President, Richard Mattessich, congratulated the students and presented certificates to (1-r) Albert Chen, Ryan Dang, Nova Qi, and Sarah Steiner on September 29, and cited their many academic and co-curricular accomplishments. Approximately 1.1 percent of students who take the Preliminary SAT test qualify as National Merit semi-finalists. They are the highest scoring entrants and are eligible to apply for National Merit scholarships. The program honors students who show exceptional academic ability and potential for success in rigorous college studies.

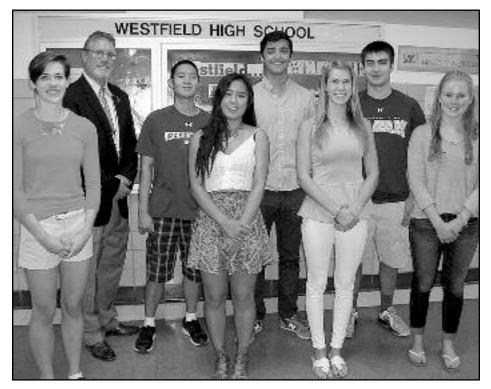


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### 7 MORE WESTFIELD HIGH STUDENTS ACHIEVE PERFECT ACT SCORES

Westfield High School has been notified that seven students have achieved perfect scores in June 2015 on ACT standardized tests widely used for college admission criteria. These results bring the total of perfect ACT scores to 33 and SAT scores to 48 during the 2014-2015 school year. "This speaks volumes about our students' abilities and their commitment to education," stated Mr. Renwick.



(above) Principal Peter Renwick (at rear left) congratulated the students, including (first row, l-r): Caroline Barry – English; Chanel Shum – English and Reading; Megan Troutman – Mathematics; and Bridget Harrington – Reading; and (second row) Jesse Liu – English; Frankanthony Guerriero – English; and Cameron Bremer – Science.







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### THE LIONS CLUBS OF WESTFIELD AND FANWOOD

The Lions Clubs of Westfield and Fanwood co-hosted the monthly meeting of the Union County Association for the Blind at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Scotch Plains on Tuesday, October 20.

The UCB meets 9 times per year at a site selected by the host (s) Lions Clubs in Union County. Members are driven to the meetings by Lions Club members and Union County Paratransit. Under the aegis of Westfield president Pete Mitchell and Fanwood president Laurence Vogel the clubs set up the meeting room and provide meals and a dessert.

Lions International is the largest service club in the world with members in over 200 countries, all dedicated to sight conservation and helping the Blind.

Their collective 60 million hours of service time annually results each year in over \$500 million dollars being raised for charities.



(above l- r) Westfield Lions Club President Peter "Pete" Mitchell, Union County Association for the Blind President William "Bill" Totten, Fanwood Lions Club President Lawrence "Larry" Vogel.

Anyone interested in joining may contact the Westfield Club at P.O. Box 572, Westfield, NJ 07091



### WESTFIELD HIGH SCORES BIGGEST VICTORY Westfield MONTHLY • Page 15 • November 2015

The Westfield High School marching band Jersey State and National competitions." scored its biggest victory so far this year with a win over 16 other East Coast bands in Maryland this past weekend.

Marching bands had travelled from towns ranging from Connecticut to Virginia to compete in the US Bands' Marching Music Series at Towson University.

But it was the Westfield Marching Blue Devils who were named 2015 Music in Motion Northeast A-Class Champions.

The band's 2015 show, The Caged Bird Sings, features WHS Principal Peter Renwick reading excerpts from Caged Bird by Maya Angelou against a background of music from The Beatles and Edvard Grieg as well as the iconic Freebird by Lynyrd Skynyrd.

In addition to winning the overall championship, the band also won the awards for Best Color Guard and Best Visual Effect.

Band Directors Christopher Vitale and Trevor Sindorf said they were "extremely proud" of the band's performance.

"The students have been working very hard in rehearsals and gave two very strong performances in Towson on Saturday. They represented their town, school and our band in a very positive way," said Mr Vitale.

"Our student leaders and drum majors have demonstrated the type of leadership that breeds success and which is now starting to come to fruition in an important stretch of our competitive season as we prepare for the upcoming New

The band will next be performing their show at the WHS home football game on Saturday at Kehler Stadium before they travel to East Brunswick to compete against other local bands.



(above l-r) Michael Hauge, Albert Chen - Drum Majors

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### WESTFIELD AREA Y KINDERGARTENERS LEARN ABOUT FIRE SAFETY

October was Fire Prevention Month and as a part of their lesson on fire safety, the Westfield Area Y's students from Mrs. Hahn's and Mrs. Sanchez's full day Kindergarten classes visited the Westfield Fire House.

The children were so excited to see the firemen and the big fire trucks! They put on their red fire hats, listened and learned all about Fire Safety and what to do in the event of a fire.

Thanks to the Annual Support Campaign for

strong kids, families and seniors, at the Westfield Area Y no one who is experiencing a bona fide financial hardship is denied the opportunity to participate.

In 2014, we provided \$423,604 in direct financial assistance to 271 individuals, primarily for child care and summer camp services.

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(above) The Westfield Area Y's Kindergarteners from Mrs. Hahn's class enjoyed their visit to the Westfield Fire House.

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### **THE WESTFIELD FOUNDATION SUPPORTS BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF UNION**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County received a grant award from The Westfield Foundation of \$20,000 to support their expanded Career Launch Program. Elizabeth Chance, Executive Director of The Westfield Foundation, along with Trustees Darielle Walsh and Claudia Andreski, visited the Union Club to present the award to Russell Triolo, CEO. Support from The Westfield Foundation will allow Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County to continue offering expanded services Career Launch services to teens as they prepare for higher education and ultimately, their future in the workforce.

"Our partnership with The Westfield Foundation reaches beyond our Clubs," stated Russell Triolo, Chief Executive Officer. "The expanded Career Launch program provides our teens with additional resources and access to tools and professionals that will give them an advantage as they enter college and the workforce. Their generous support allows us to reach more teens in our communities and bring

the program to middle school members as well."

Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County offers Career Launch as part of teen programs. Teens are introduced to a variety of aspects of career and higher education preparation, including preparing resumes, college entrance applications, essays, researching colleges and universities, interview preparation, and meeting career mentors.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County is celebrating 60 years of changing lives in Union County! Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County offers youth programs in 5 communities in Union County: Plainfield, Elizabeth, Union, Hillside and Roselle. Teen leadership programs for ages 14-18 are available in Union, Elizabeth and Plainfield. Members participate in character, leadership, career preparation and community service activities throughout the year. Aquatics is available at our Union Club. For information on our clubs and programs, please visit our website www.bgcuc.org or contact us 908-687-2697.



(above l-r) Russell Triolo, CEO Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County; Elizabeth Chance, Executive Director The Westfield Foundation; Darielle Walsh, Trustee The Westfield Foundation; Claudia Andreski, Trustee The Westfield Foundation.



### **SENIOR HOUSING AVAILABLE IN BRIDGEWATER AND WARREN TOWNSHIP**

Cooperative Housing Corporation Units Available Now for Low/Moderate Income Seniors

Cooperative Housing Corporation (CHC) has housing units available immediately for low-tomoderate income senior citizens in Somerset County. CHC housing includes private spacious rooms in single-level ranch homes for singles and couples, with fees for rent and services based on each individual's income and assets.

"The rapidly rising cost of supportive housing and long-term care for seniors puts a tremendous burden on both senior citizens and their families," said Angelo DiOrio, Executive Director, Cooperative Housing Corporation. "CHC is pleased to offer a services-based solution with available units that provide beautiful and affordable places to live, based on an individual's ability to pay."

While the term "long term care" (LTC) is most often associated with medical or health based care, such as Assisted Living or Nursing Homes, the reality is that for many seniors the "long" part begins well before the need for that kind of "care". Frequently, what is required is simply a housing arrangement that includes some supportive services, and not daily medical assistance. As the cost of nursing and assisted living settings continues to skyrocket. alternatives to defer their need for such careare critical to the average senior. CHC offers a senior housing option that extends a senior's ability to afford a longer period of self-budgeted LTC.

CHC offers two different types of housing for seniors age 62 and older, with income less than \$58,600: Independent living for seniors who are capable of managing their own needs, and Supportive housing for seniors who need some assistance with the activities of daily living. Fees forrentnever exceed 40% of one's income whileservices re paid for on a sliding scale based on each individual's income and assets. One monthly combined fee includes all CHC expenses!

In CHC homes, residents have their own private suite with bedroom and full bathroom, and share the spacious common areas including living room, dining room, porch, den, spa and hobby room. This shared living model offers the best of both worlds: privacy in one's own space, yet companionship when desired.

"I enjoy living here because I have my own room and the company of my housemates at the same time," said Don Sayre, 83, Bridgewater. "I love having my own bathroom!"

Food preparation, housekeeping, even nursing oversight, are provided at a fraction of the cost of other housing alternatives, while Cooperative Housing actively promotes independent living, in a mutually supportive environment. Residents enjoy the comforts of sharing a ranch-style house rather than a large facility. To learn more, visitwww.CHChousing.orgor call 908-526-8130. **ABOUT COOPERATIVE HOUSING CORPORATION** 

Cooperative Housing Corporation (CHC) provides affordable, quality housing and services to low/moderate income senior citizens. Through a unique model of shared living, Cooperative Housing offers a cost-effective housing alternative with single-level ranch homes that are handicap accessible and senior-friendly.



(above) A single-level ranch home from **Cooperative Housing Corporation** in Warren Township.



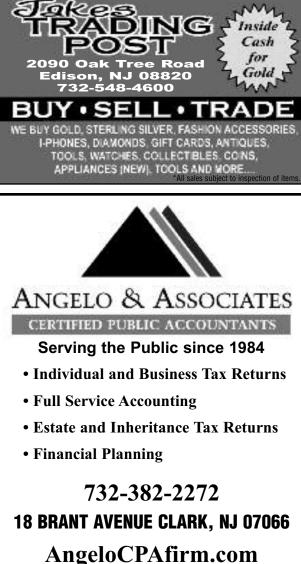
(above) Units at the beautiful Schaal House in Bridgewater are available for seniors with income less than \$58,600.



(above) Senior residents at a CHC home in Warren Township relax on the porch, one of the shared common areas, in addition to their private bedroom and bathroom.









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