

Students Turn In Box Tops To Earn Funds for School

Throughout the school year, the students of Redeemer Lutheran School in Westfield have been eating General Mills cereals, snacks and yogurt in an effort to turn package box tops into cash as part of a nationwide program called "Big G Box Tops for Education."

The program was created by General Mills to help Kindergarten through grade 6 public, private, parochial and military schools raise money to purchase items that are not covered by shrinking school budgets, according to Program Coordinator Linda Kearney.

General Mills Corporation pays 15 cents for every participating cereal box top, and 10 cents for every participating snack and Yoplait Yogurt multi-pack products box top turned in by the schools each month.

As a result of the efforts of students and their families, Redeemer Lutheran School has raised \$430 for computer equipment, including a scanner.

"This being our second year participating in this program, we have collected four times the amount of box tops than last year," Mrs. Kearney said.

"Each class participates in a contest to see who will collect the most box tops for their class. This year was a close one, with only one box top separating Kindergarten and third grade," she added.

The third graders moved into first place with 351 box tops, for which they were treated to a Kentucky Fried Chicken lunch. The Kindergarten class will receive a cake for their second place win of 350 box tops, she said.



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS... Mayor Thomas C. Jardim, center, is shown signing a proclamation recognizing the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce on 50 years of service. Chamber members pictured, left to right, are: Debbie Schmidt, Executive Director; Stan Baum, Chairman; Scott Beresford, Treasurer; Gail S. Vernick, Chamber Liaison, and Darryl Walker, Vice Chairman.

Mayor Designates April 27 As 'Chamber Charter Day'

Mayor Thomas C. Jardim issued a proclamation on April 7 recognizing the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce on 50 years of outstanding service to the Westfield business community and designating Monday, April 27, as "Chamber of Commerce Charter Day" in Westfield. He also wished the Chamber continued success in its future endeavors.

The public is invited to share in the Chamber's celebration by participating in several festive events. First, there will be a 1948 Quiz about Westfield. GERALYN Keating from Westfield Tire worked with Ralph Jones from the Westfield Historical Society to create the quiz, which can be found in this issue of *The Westfield Leader*.

To participate, send in the correct answers to the Chamber office, 111 Quimby Street, by Friday, April 24. Three winners will be announced at

the public party on Monday evening, April 27.

"Chamber Charter Day" will also feature a party, which begins at 5:30 p.m. with a 1948 style dinner at the Windmill Restaurant.

Included will be a hot dog or hamburger, fries, and a small drink. Everyone will move next door to the Rialto Theatre at 7 p.m., where cake and coffee will be served, followed by a special showing of the 1948 film *Treasure of the Sierra Madre* starring Humphrey Bogart.

Tickets are \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door.

Copies of the quiz and tickets for the dinner/movie are available at the Chamber office, Rorden Realty, *The Westfield Leader*, the Windmill Restaurant, Scott Shoes, and other Westfield businesses. Please call the Chamber office at (908) 233-3021 for further information.

Writer-in-Residence Wraps Visit at Franklin School

Rosemary McLaughlin has wrapped up her visit as a Writer-in-Residence for the fourth-grade students at Franklin Elementary School in Westfield.

A theater arts graduate from Rutgers University in New Brunswick, Ms. McLaughlin teaches theater at Drew University in Madison.

Her poetry has been published in two recent anthologies: "Written With a Spoon" and "The XY Files."

Ms. McLaughlin's visit was made possible by a grant from the Westfield Education Foundation and the Arts Council of the Morris Area.

In addition to her work session on March 17 with the fourth graders, she has been assisting students with producing an anthology.

According to Franklin School Principal Margaret Dolan, the fourth-grade staff will be extending skills taught by Ms. McLaughlin, and students will be encouraged to rewrite and illustrate their work.

Follow-up activities such as sending

and/or reading poems to a senior citizens group will be planned.

Ms. McLaughlin's residency at Franklin School concluded with a presentation to the entire staff yesterday.

Hypertension Clinic Set For Monday, April 13

The Township of Scotch Plains will hold the monthly hypertension (High Blood Pressure) screening clinic on Monday, April 13.

The clinic will be held in the Scotch Plains Public Library Community Room from 10 a.m. to noon, and is free of charge. The intent of the clinic is to identify new cases of high blood pressure. Those persons who are over 30 and smoke or are overweight or have a family history of heart disease or diabetes and have not had their blood pressure checked recently are urged to attend.

Westfield's Fourth Annual Festifall Set for April 19th

Westfield's fourth Annual "Spring-Fling Street Fair" set for Sunday, April 19.

Thousands jam the streets each year for the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce-sponsored event. The fair offers free admission and features more than 300 exhibitors with a full array of high quality crafts, art and music.

A special Kid's Expo is planned along East Broad Street near Prospect Street. That area will feature fun activities for parents to enjoy with their children. Nearly 30 food vendors will be featured.

Traffic along Elm, Quimby, Prospect and East Broad Streets in the downtown will be detoured from noon to 6 p.m.

A stage area is planned with entertainment that includes two jazz bands, world class electric violinist, Caryn Lin, and children's storyteller, Kathryn Weidener of Raritan. The entertainment, coordinated by disc jockey and singer, Bob Mele, will begin at noon. The stage will be located at the corner of Elm and East Broad Streets. Musical and clowning entertainers will stroll throughout Downtown Westfield during the day.

Tim Janis of Kinnebunk, Maine, will perform light flute music and Irish music at his booth area. The New Jersey Earth Science Association will have free specimens of rocks and minerals. Children will have the opportunity to enjoy pony rides and a petting zoo which will be located in the parking area of PNC Bank at North Avenue and East Broad Street.

A Moonwalk, temporary tattoos, face painting, making sand art and spinart creations are other family activities.

In addition to the fine crafts exhibition, many local merchants and community organizations plan to participate. More than 20 food concessions will tempt hungry street fair-goers with selections such as London Broil, butterfly fries, bloomin' onions and assorted gourmet vegetable dishes.

Barbeque chicken, herb smothered, grilled tomato sandwiches and Caesar salad are other festival delights that will be included. International flavors will include Mexican fajitas, Greek foods, calzone, Italian sausage and Polish pierogies. Local restaurants Cosimos Pizza and Ferraro's are planning Festival menus.

Lighter fare will include ice cream, zeppoles, cotton candy and Pennsylvania Dutch funnel cakes.

Several local merchants will be offering special sales during this event. Some of the original crafts for sale include designer and hand-painted clothing, toys, hand-thrown pottery, a variety of jewelry, bonsai, porcelain dolls and puppets,

handmade furniture, Teddy Bears, and one-of-a-kind decorative pieces for the home.

Also featured will be Sea Dragon Herbery, of Cape May, who grows and sells their own flowers for decorating and pot pourri; unusual jewelry designs created from coins from around the world by Edward Stoney of Keyport; Westfield crafter Ellen Greenberg, who paints on frames, clothes poles, and other children's accessories.

Several artists will display and sell their original watercolors, oil paintings and photography. Connecticut photographer Duncan Hall will bring his matted prints of English gardens and other travel memories. Watercolor artists, Phyllis Newman of Flemington, and Steve Zazenski from New Hope, Pennsylvania, are planning to exhibit.

Livingston artist, A. Goldfarb will display and sell his lithographs. Wood carver Patricia Cobb of Pennsylvania will be selling wooden Santa and other shaming figures.

Westfield antique dealer, Mary Lou's Memorabilia on Elm Street will show vintage accessories and collectibles while Book Value of South Avenue brings used and vintage books to sell at the event.

Some other Westfield businesses who plan to be at the fair include The Leader Store, Affiliated Travel, Prudential Securities, Nirvana, Classic Thyme, Scott Shoes, Rorden Realty, New Norris Chevrolet, Cellular Signal Plus, The Westfield Leader, Dave Rossi Photography, Creative Memories, Celtic Imports, Paul Nazzaro Music Studio, Massagesmith, Sunrise of Westfield, Prudential NJ Realty, RL Micro Systems, Castle Bootery and Westfield Website.

The street fair attracts more than 30 local non-profit and service organizations. These groups use the event for community visibility and important fundraising activities. The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts on East Broad Street will present musical entertainment and demonstrations throughout the day.

"Admission and parking are free and we're inviting everyone to come downtown to enjoy a terrific family fun day," commented Debbie Schmidt of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce, the event's sponsor. Spring Fling hours are noon to 6 p.m. on Elm, East Broad, Quimby and Prospect Streets.

For more information contact the event's promoter, The Advertising Alliance, at (908) 996-3036 or the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at (908) 233-3021. The raindate for the event will be Sunday, April 26.

Westfield Area Chamber Celebrates 50th Anniversary

The year is 1948. Harry S. Truman is President, new television programs include "The Ed Sullivan Show" and "Candid Camera," a favorite song on radio is "Buttons and Bows" and The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce (WACC) is founded.

The WACC is celebrating its 50th anniversary on Monday, April 27, with a 1948-style dinner followed by a special screening of the 1948 Humphrey Bogart classic "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre" at The Rialto Theater. Everyone is invited to come out and join the celebration. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:00 p.m. Combination tickets for this movie and dinner are available in advance for \$8 at the WACC "Spring Fling" booth, the WACC office and various WACC member businesses. Tickets will also be sold at the door for \$10 each, subject to availability.

The WACC also invites you to test your knowledge of 1948 Westfield trivia by completing the quiz below. Three winners will be drawn from all correct entries at the Windmill Restaurant on April 27, and prizes will be awarded.

Mail or hand deliver your completed quiz to the WACC offices at 111 Quimby Street, Westfield; or fax it to (908) 654-8183; or return it to the WACC "Spring Fling" booth on April 19. Your completed quiz must be received by 3 p.m. Friday, April 24.

1. Who was mayor of Westfield in 1948?



2. The Westfield High School football team of 1948 won nine games and lost one. Name the team that defeated Westfield.



3. In November 1948, Westfield voters approved a bond issue to finance the building of a new high school. Where was the high school located in 1948?

4. Who was the superintendent of Westfield schools in 1948?

5. What was the name of the semi-pro baseball team representing Westfield in 1948, and where did they play?



6. Charles Clark, Westfield's town clerk since 1913, was replaced in 1948 by the woman who preceded today's town clerk, Joy Vreeland. Who was that woman?



7. What were the names of the three commercial banks of Westfield in 1948?

8. The housing shortage was probably America's and Westfield's major controversial problem in 1948. Where was the town's first garden apartment complex built?



9. In 1948, Westfielders' social doings appeared in a *Westfield Leader* "gossip column" named ... ?

10. Name four of the five 1948 ice-skating ponds within the town limits.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF WESTFIELD INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the Town of Westfield in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 425 East Broad Street, Westfield, New Jersey, at 10:00 AM prevailing time on Monday, April 27, 1998, for "THE IMPROVEMENT OF BRIGHTWOOD AVENUE, PROSPECT STREET AND QUIMBY STREET IN THE TOWN OF WESTFIELD, NEW JERSEY."

The work under this Proposal includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Contract Drawings and described in the Contract Specifications, and Proposals shall be in accordance with such Drawings and Specifications and the terms proposed in the Contract. The work consists primarily of approximately, 12,298 square yards of milling, 12,298 square yards of bituminous concrete surface course (1-1/2" thick), 200 lineal feet of granite block curb, 63 square yards of 4" thick concrete walk and other related items. The successful bidder shall start construction ten (10) days after notice of award of Contract is given, and shall complete all work within sixty (60) working days after the start of work.

This Proposal shall also include an alternate bid for curb replacement on Brightwood Avenue between Prospect Street and Woodmere Drive/Clark Street. The work consists primarily of the removal of existing concrete curb and concrete shelf and the construction 1,521 lineal feet of new Granite Block Curb, 423 square yards of bituminous concrete stabilized base (4" thick), 68 square yards of 6" thick concrete, 47 square yards of 4" thick concrete and 90 square yards of bituminous concrete aprons and drives.

Proposals shall be in writing on the forms furnished and must be delivered at the place and before the hour above mentioned, and must be accompanied by a certified check or bid bond payable to the Town of Westfield in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the base amount of the bid, but not less than \$500.00 nor more than \$20,000.00. Each bid must also be accompanied by a Surety Company Certificate stating that said Surety company will provide the bidder with the required Performance bond in the full amount of the Contract, by a Non-Collusion Affidavit and a Contractor's Qualification Statement, Statement of Ownership, on the forms included in and explained in the contract documents.

Bidders must be in compliance with all provisions of Chapter 127 P.L. 1975 supplement to the law against discrimination (Affirmative Action) and must pay workmen the prevailing wage rates promulgated by the New Jersey State Department of Labor and Industry for this project, copies of which are on file in the Office of the Town Engineer.

Plans and specifications may be seen or procured at the office of the Town Engineer, Public Works Center, 959 North Avenue West, Westfield, New Jersey. The Mayor and Council reserves the right to reject any bid, and to waive any informality in any bid, if in the interest of the Town, it is deemed advisable to do so.

Kenneth B. Marsh
Town Engineer

Reporters Sought

Reporters sought to cover local, evening meetings and community news. Some writing experience preferred. Submit qualifications and clips (if available) to P.O. Box 250, Westfield, NJ 07091 or e-mail to press@goleader.com or call (908) 232-4407.

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