

Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah Achieves Egalitarian Status

CLARK — Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah in Clark has announced that it has become an Egalitarian congregation.

The status, which involves formally and fully integrating women into all aspects of ritual life in the synagogue, was announced by Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah's spiritual leader Rabbi Shawn Zell.

"We now follow a new path," said Rabbi Zell. "Let us do so with proper direction."

Temple President Howard Spialter of Westfield added, "This is a natural step for our synagogue. We are a unique congregation that combines

respect for the traditions of our heritage with the precepts of modern Conservative Judaism. I feel tremendous pride leading this shul into the 21st century."

Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah currently offers its more than 400 families, and singles of all ages, a religious school for children from pre-kindergarten through Bar/Bat Mitzvah age; Bar/Bat Mitzvah classes; Hebrew high school for post-Bar/Bat Mitzvah teens; three youth groups for children and teens in grades 2 through 12; Junior Congregation; Torah for Tots; a diverse and comprehensive adult education program; a Young Couples group; seniors programming; Sisterhood; and a nationally-recognized Men's Club.

The synagogue also offers Intergenerational Family Cultural Programming and a daily Minyon (morning prayer service) throughout the year. High Holiday tickets are also included with membership.

Members who join the congregation by Labor Day will receive a complimentary traditional Shabbat dinner, according to Bruce Bobbins, a Colonia resident who serves as vice president for membership at the temple.

For further information on membership, please call the temple office at (732) 381-8403, fax (732) 381-1389 or e-mail tbo@juno.com.

Caregivers to Meet On Monday Evening At St. Helen's Church

WESTFIELD — A support group for those caring for elderly or chronically ill loved ones meets on the first non-holiday Monday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Parish Center of St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield.

The next meeting will take place on July 5.

These are information and sharing sessions. For more information, please call Marilyn Ryan at (908) 233-8757.

First Baptist Church Sets Workshop on Parenting

WESTFIELD — The First Baptist Church in Westfield will host its "Smart Discipline" workshop for parents on Wednesday, July 7, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the sanctuary of the church.

The workshop, which includes a system for motivating children "to follow the rules," will be introduced by local television personality Molly McClosky, who has appeared on "Romper Room."

The Smart Discipline approach intends to build a child's self-esteem, while teaching them the consequences of their choices and actions.

The workshop is free of charge and is open to the public. It is hosted by the Vacation Bible School (VBS) of the First Baptist Church, which is offering evening classes for children from fourth to fifth grade, from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 5 to 9. The VBS program is also free.

On the evening of July 7 only, the church will provide childcare for the siblings of children in VBS if their parents are attending Smart Discipline.

"We are trying to make it easy for parents to hear the principles and techniques of positive parenting. Systems like Smart Discipline give hassled parents an alternative to arbitrarily punishing, yelling at, or

striking a child," said Dr. Dee Dee Turlington, Minister of Christian Education and Evangelism at First Baptist.

To register for either or both events, please call church office at (908) 233-2278.

Temple Emanu-El To Present Course On Book of Genesis

WESTFIELD — Rabbi Renee Goldberg will lead a study of the Book of Genesis this month at Temple Emanu-El, 756 East Broad Street in Westfield.

The course will be held on Wednesdays, July 7, 14 and 28, and on Thursday, July 22, from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Participants will study several stories from the Book of Genesis and discuss how they relate to modern family life.

Modern commentaries such as Norman Cohen's "Self, Struggle and Change," Peter Pitzele's "My Father's Wells," Naomi Rosenblatt's "Wrestling With Angels" and Aviva Zornberg's "The Beginnings of Desire" will be included in the course.

Please call the temple office at (908) 232-6770 to register.



WE 'DIG IT'...Getting ready for "The Great Bibleland Dig" and "Club Faith," two summer programs offered at the Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence, are children from the church. Pictured, left to right, are: seated, Jake Neumann of Chatham, Emma Galgano and Matt Delatour of Berkeley Heights, and Steve Bronoco of New Providence, and standing, Christian Berk of Fanwood, Melissa Neumann of Chatham, Laurie Delatour of Berkeley Heights, and Kristina Mytrowitz of Gillette.

Faith Lutheran Church Plans Summer Programs for Youth

NEW PROVIDENCE — Faith Lutheran Church, located at 524 South Street in New Providence, is offering two summer programs that are open to all area children.

Vacation Bible School, for children ages 4 through the second grade, will be held from Tuesday through

Friday, July 6 to 9, from 9 a.m. to noon. The curriculum, which will focus on the life of Jesus, is entitled "The Great Bibleland Dig."

Running concurrently will be Club Faith, a program for children who have completed grades 3 through 6. Club Faith's curriculum will also focus on the life of Jesus. Both programs will include age-appropriate crafts, games, music, and Bible studies.

In addition, "The Great Bibleland Dig" will include a storyteller. Snacks will be provided. The cost for both programs is \$15 per child. To register, please pick up a registration form at the church office during regular business hours, or on Sunday morning.

For more information about programs for children at Faith Lutheran Church, please call the church office at (908) 464-5177.

First Baptist Church To Host Singles Event

WESTFIELD — Interfaith Singles, a group for single adults over age 45, meets for weekly discussions on successful single living at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm Street, Westfield.

The group will meet on Sundays, July 4, 11, 18 and 25, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

A continental breakfast is available for a \$2 donation.

For further information, please call (908) 233-2278.

Two Local Residents Complete Rite of Affirmation of Baptism

SCOTCH PLAINS — Daniel Rosenkrantz of Scotch Plains and Emily Walker of Fanwood were among 12 young people at Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence who were confirmed through their participation in the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism on May 23.

To prepare for the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism, confirmands must complete a three-year study program which includes courses in the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Command-

ments, the Sacraments, the Reformation, Jesus Christ, and Worship. Following the Rite, the youths are now considered adult members of the congregation.

The youngsters also participated in outreach ministries of the church, attended services and Sunday School regularly and went on several day-long retreats.

For more information on the confirmation program at Faith Lutheran, please call the church office at (908) 464-5177.



EXPRESSING THEIR FAITH...Twelve young people at Faith Lutheran Church in New Providence were confirmed by participation in the Rite of Affirmation of Baptism on May 23. Pictured, left to right, are: front row, Laura Oman of New Providence, Kalie Janne of Madison, Kaitlyn Maxwell of Berkeley Heights, Melissa Lange and Andrew Buttitta of New Providence, Evan Schickel of Berkeley Heights, Daniel Rosenkrantz of Scotch Plains and Emily Walker of Fanwood, and back row, Brian Lewis of New Providence, Meagan Butler of Berkeley Heights, Cassandra Jacob of New Providence, and Rebecca Ringwood of Berkeley Heights.

First Congregational Church Announces Summer Schedule

WESTFIELD — The First Congregational Church, located at 125 Elmer Street in Westfield, will host family worship in its air-conditioned sanctuary this summer beginning Sunday, July 4. Services will be held each Sunday through September 5 from 9 to 9:45 a.m.

Casual dress is welcome and visitors are invited to attend.

An informal-style worship will be offered for adults and children who are entering third grade or older, featuring popular musical selections and more congregation interaction. Child care and special activities for younger children will also be available each week.

Among the special services will be a Dixieland-style service on July 25, featuring the Good Times Dixieland Jazz Band performing "When the Saints Go Marching In" and other spirituals.

Communion will be offered at the August 1 service.

A Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 6-9 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for children ages three years through fifth grade.

First Congregational Church is fully accessible to the handicapped and includes infrared listening devices for the hearing impaired. For further information, please call the church office at (908) 233-2494.

Terrill Road Bible Chapel Plans Vacation Bible School

FANWOOD — Terrill Road Bible Chapel in Fanwood has announced that it will offer a Vacation Bible School for adults and children from age 4.

Morning sessions for children ages 4 to entering fifth grade will be held from Monday, July 12, to Friday, July 16, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

A program entitled, "The Christian Woman in the Home & Church" for adult women will also begin on July 12. Coffee, singing, crafts and nursery care will be available.

Evening sessions for children in

sixth, seventh and eighth grades will be held from Sunday, July 11, to Thursday, July 15, from 7 to 9 p.m. A program for teens entitled, "Informal Time with Don Dunkerton" will also be held as well as an event, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ" for adults.

The closing program will be held on Friday, July 16, at 11:30 a.m. A light lunch will be provided after the program in the chapel.

For more information, or to register, please call (908) 654-4893 or (908) 757-5893.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7, the following summary of the books and accounts of the Town of Westfield for the fiscal year 1998, as made by Suplee, Clooney & Company, is hereby published and is on file at the Town Clerk's Office and may be inspected by any interested person.

Bernard A. Heeney, Jr. Acting Town Clerk

SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF AUDIT REPORT FOR PUBLICATION

SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF 1998 AUDIT REPORT OF TOWN OF WESTFIELD AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7

Table with columns: ASSETS, LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE, COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - CURRENT FUND. Rows include Cash and Investments, Taxes, Assessments and Liens Receivable, Property Acquired for Taxes, etc.

Table with columns: REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED, EXPENDITURES, COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - SWIMMING POOL UTILITY OPERATING FUND. Rows include Fund Balance Utilized, Miscellaneous - From Other Than Local, etc.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- That the Municipal Court: Reconcile the General bank account on a monthly basis. Reconcile the Analysis of Bail to the balance on deposit in the Bail accounts. That all outside departments reconcile their bank accounts on a monthly basis.

A Corrective Action Plan, which outlines actions the Town of Westfield will take to correct the findings listed above, will be prepared in accordance with federal and state requirements. A copy of it will be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk in the Town of Westfield.

The above summary or synopsis was prepared from the report of audit of the Town of Westfield, County of Union, for the calendar year 1998. This report of audit, submitted by Suplee, Clooney & Company, Registered Municipal Accountants and Certified Public Accountants, is on file at the Town Clerk's office and may be inspected by any interested person.

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