CommunityBRIEFS

Girl and Boy Scout registration

Harrison Girl Scouts is currently taking registrations for girls and adults for the 2011 - 2012 scouting year. For more information, contact girlscouts.harrison@gmail.com, or call (914) 630-2827.

Harrison Cub Scouts Pack 6 is currently taking registrations for boys entering first through fifth grade as of September 2011. For more information, contact cubscouts.harrison@gmail.com, or call (914) 630-2827.

"Beneath the Surface"

The Harrison Council for the Arts presents "Beneath the Surface: An Exploration of Color on Ceramic Tile" by Judith Weber at the Harrison Public Library, Bruce Avenue, June 6 –July 7, with an opening reception June 11 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Weber is a co-founder, developer and managing partner of Media Loft, a 33,000 square-foot Artist in Residence Condominium in New Rochelle. Her work has been featured in many publications and at fine museum gift shops throughout the United States. Weber received a B.A. from New York University. She has taught at Manhattanville College and privately for many years.

The exhibit may be viewed Monday and Wednesday 9:30 a.m. – 9 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday-Saturday 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. For information, call (914) 835-0324, or visit www.harrisonpl.org.

Harrison Public Library events Computer orientation classes

If you are feeling left behind in our technology oriented world, the library can help. Ongoing one-time computer orientation classes meant to familiarize novices to searching the public library catalog as well as the Internet are available at the downtown library.

This month the sessions will be held on June 28 at 10:30 a.m. The library's website is also worth exploring (www.harrisonpl. org). It includes links to downloadable au-

diobooks, the Learning Express database, Bookletters, newspaper and magazine articles, and the library's monthly calendar. For more info, call (914) 835-0324.

Build your home library

Every home needs a library. A nice shelf of non-fiction is important in emergencies; that dog-eared plumbing basics book can save you time and money. A home library is also the best cure for boredom. And best of all, a home library promotes reading and piques curiosity in both children and adults.

If your bookshelves are looking bare, stop by the Harrison Public Library, Bruce Avenue for the Friends annual book sale on June 18. Proceeds will help with children's programming and other library projects. You can build your home library in a day while helping the community. For additional info, call the library at (914) 835-0324.

Children's programs at Harrison Public Library

The Harrison Public Library will be hosting various children's programs this summer:

June 28 at 3:30 p.m. Summer Reading Game Kick-Off Party with Bob Conrad for ages 4 & up

June 29 at 10:30 a.m. Storyland for ages 3 to 5

June 29 at 11:15 a.m. Circle Time for Tots for ages 1 to 3

June 29 at 3:00 p.m. Movies at the Library for ages 4 to 11

For more information about the programs, call (914) 835-0324.

Battle of the Bands at Playland

If you and your band have always longed to be on stage before a live audience, send a sample of your best music and your group may win a spot to perform live at the Music Tower Theater during Playland's eighth annual Battle of the Bands at the park in Rye. Music samples must be received by

Wednesday, June 29.

To be eligible, all members of the group must be amateur musicians between the ages of 15 and 20. Samples must be submitted on CD, and can be either original compositions or the band's unique interpretations of the music of other artists. All submissions will be reviewed for eligibility by a panel of judges.

All samples must include a separate sheet of paper with the band's name; members' names, addresses and ages; the name of the song or songs played on the CD, and day-time and evening telephone numbers of the member who will act as the contact person.

The bands selected will perform at the Battle of the Bands at Playland on Friday, July 22. Rain date is Friday, July 29. The overall winner of the competition will win a grand prize.

Mail or drop off music samples to Westchester County Parks, 25 Moore Avenue, Mount Kisco, NY 10549, attn: Battle of the Bands. Allow sufficient time for mailing.

For more info, call (914) 864-7064 or email kdc2@westchestergov.com.

Summer reading program for children

Harrison Public Library, Bruce Avenue presents:

One World, Many Stories! 2011 Summer Reading Game

Wednesday, June 29 - Friday, August 12 Children ages 4 and older

Children can come to the library to tell middle school and high school volunteers about the books they've read books or books they have had read to them at home (up to five per visit). Those who participate can receive a prize for every five books read.

Summer Reading Game hours:

Monday and Wednesday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.; 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 12 noon

Final call for the ogre at "Screenings Under the Stars"

Ogre Alert! Everyone's favorite scary giant returns to the big screen for his final visit to Kensico Dam Plaza during a showing of "Shrek Forever After" (2010, PG) as part of the "Screenings under the Stars" free outdoor movies series on Thursday, July 7, in Valhalla

Entertainment including a deejay begins the evening at 6 p.m. The movie begins at sundown.

The fourth and final installment in the Shrek film series, "Shrek Forever After" is an animated fantasy-comedy film that pokes fun at traditional fairy tales. It features the voices of Mike Myers as "Shrek," Eddie Murphy as "Donkey" and Cameron Diaz as "Princess Fiona." Running time is 93 minutes.

Admission and parking are free. Moviegoers should bring blankets, folding chairs and a picnic. Refreshments and popcorn will also be for sale. In the event of rain, the movie will be canceled.

"Screenings under the Stars" is presented by Westchester County Parks and the Jacob Burns Film Center. It is sponsored by Westchester Magazine, radio station 100.7 WHUD, FunTime Amusements and Friends of Westchester County Parks, Inc.

For more information about the event, visit www.westchestergov.com/parks, or call (914) 864-PARK.

Deadline for our Community Briefs section is every Friday at 12 p.m. Though space is not guaranteed, we will do our best to accommodate your listing. Please send all items to news@hometwn.com.

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said that a rather significant postcrash fire broke out, which the DEP helped contain.

Hicks and his investigative team should have the on-scene phase of the investigation wrapped up in a few days' time, said Knudson, with a preliminary factual report by end of week or early next week.

The spokesman added that an average fatal investigation takes about 12 months, depending on the complexity of the crash and

the workload of the investigators. There are about 1,600 general aviation accidents each year, and the agency investigates each one with about 50 investigators spread across the entire United States.

The last fatal crash to occur at Westchester County Airport was in April 2005, when a flight instructor and his student in a single-engine Cessna crashed in Armonk about a mile from runway 16 after returning from an earlier flight to Albany.

Local dance school holds annual concert

Magical Movements School of Dance presented "We Love New York," its eighth annual dance concert on Sunday, June 12, at Mamaroneck High School's McClain Auditorium. With the ten-year anniversary of 9/11 approaching, Director Linda Francica chose this theme to pay tribute the great city of New York. She and instructors Anna Haven and Jennifer Silverman choreographed pieces about the sites and sounds of NYC.

The dance concert was divided into two shows. Children aged 3-6, were the first to take the stage. There were sailors from South Street Seaport, dolls from FAO Schwartz, and cubs from "The Lion King" on Broadway. "Single ladies" showed their stuff, while boys hip-hopped at Madison Square Garden. The younger children's show ended with a colorfully costumed "choo-choo train" of 80+ students marching and singing the chorus of Neil Diamond's "America." As the audience waved and cheered, there was a surprise visit by Lady Liberty. The older students were in the second show, leaving their families quite impressed with a variety of pieces, from a Rockettes number to Chihiro Matsui's of Harrison "Swan Lake" solo, and "A Chorus Line" musical theater number. The show wouldn't have been complete without an encore from each group, who were then joined by the choreographers, to kick their legs high to "New York, New York."





