

A wishing well of joy for afflicted children

By JAY McDANIEL

James Coletti, a 3-year-old boy with Down's syndrome, couldn't verbalize his feelings, but there was no mistaking his excitement.

One of 80 afflicted children whose wishes were granted by a volunteer organization, James beamed with enthusiasm as he played in the bright red electric car that was his present at the Dreams Come True holiday party yesterday in Edison.

"We didn't tell James that the car was for him," said James' mother, Laurie Coletti. "But when he saw it sitting there, he went right over. He loves cars."

The party was organized by Joining Hands Inc., an organization that distributes about \$100,000 worth of gifts each year to seriously ill children.

Some of the children are terminally ill, while others have illnesses that cause permanent disabilities. Each of the children, or their parents, writes to the organization asking to have a wish granted, said Dennis Adams, president of Joining Hands.

The presents distributed this year included two expenses-paid trips to Disney World in Florida for sick children and their families, 12 computers and seven television sets. There were also gifts ranging from motorized model airplanes to an autographed photo of singer Whitney Houston.

The organization tries both to grant the wish of the ill child and to give a present to each of his or her brothers and sisters.

Adams, who owns a car dealership in Woodbridge, said the organization tries to get merchants to donate the presents, or allow them to be purchased at discount. Although Joining Hands'



Thomas and Laurie Coletti of Old Bridge share a happy moment with their son James, who received an electric car as a gift from Dreams Come True-Joining Hands Inc. during a holiday party in the Pines Manor in Edison.

annual budget is about \$50,000, it distributes twice that amount in gifts. The organization's primary source

of funding is a golf tournament sponsored by Adams' dealership, Woodbridge Dodge. The tournament raised

\$26,000 this year, Adams said.

The organization's founder, Barbara Lightner of Old Bridge, said that in the past five years, Joining Hands has granted the wishes of about 570 sick children and has given a total of 4,000 gifts to the kids and their siblings.

The wishes of the children have included meeting celebrities. Several visits have been arranged with television stars and sports figures, Lightner said.

This year, an autographed picture of Whitney Houston was shipped from the Orient, where she was performing. The boy who asked for the picture died of leukemia about a month later, organizers said.

Lightner made a special presentation yesterday to a 6-year-old Toms River boy who is ill with a brain tumor.

The boy, David Pate, was diagnosed with the tumor when he was 3, Lightner explained yesterday. When David's first wish was granted in 1986, he was not expected to live until the following Christmas.

However, David was alive last year and received his second wish, and again this year, when he asked for a video recorder. He was accompanied by his parents and six brothers and sisters.

David's mother, Kathryn Pate, yesterday said the family regards his illness as "temporarily terminal."

"We learned through David it's the moment that's important. You have to make yourself happy," Pate said. "David taught us and we're grateful for that."

Lightner said she started the Joining Hands organization after visiting the Ronald McDonald House in New York City, where ill children undergoing treatment stay with their families.

BATTERIES INCLUDED

"Bringing the Future Home Today"

Nitsuko

FX-5500

CITIZEN

MCBM 777 Personal Compact Disc Player

ONLY \$129.95! Reg. \$179.95

NINTENDO

Everyone's Favorite Game!

ONLY \$39.95! Reg. \$49.95

FISHER PRICE DELUXE CAMCORDER SYSTEM

FXKL-2000 ONLY \$189!

Uniden RADAR DETECTOR

RD500 ONLY \$69.99!

Gemini T-120 VHS BLANK TAPE

ONLY \$2.49!

With every \$25 purchase receive a FREE video tape

2933 Vauxhall Road, Millburn Mall • Union, NJ 07088

PH. (201) 688-4388 FAX (201) 688-9369

MasterCard Visa MC-97 Sat. 10-5 Sun. 12-5

SENIOR CITIZENS

GET YOUR 1988

FREE MEDICARE

COVERED PACKAGE

PLUS A NEW

SPECIAL COURTESY

CARD

CALL 1-800

346-0260 IN N.J.

AND IT WILL BE MAILED

1987 FHC

Lung

Diagnostics

123 Highland Avenue

Glen Ridge, New Jersey

Do you suffer from:

- ★ CHRONIC COUGH
- ★ SHORTNESS OF BREATH
- ★ EXCESSIVE SNOORING
- ★ DO YOU SMOKE AND WISH TO QUIT?

CALL LUNG DIAGNOSTICS ... WE CAN HELP!

For answers to these and other breathing problems call our 24 hour "Discover Line" at (201) 680-1492. OR You may call during normal business hours at (201) 680-8822.

LUNG DIAGNOSTICS ... because lungs need love!

Pequannock gives approval to treatment plant transfer

The Pequannock council last night agreed to decommission the Laurel Homes Sewerage Treatment Plant and transfer the service to the treatment plant operated by the Two Bridges Sewerage Authority.

The township was under Department of Environmental Protection orders to submit a plan to improve the effluent level at the Laurel Homes facility from Level 2 to Level 4 by Jan. 1. The plant serves 29 homes on Rowland Road.

The decision was made not to upgrade the plant because the cost of modifications was prohibitive, council members said. A study submitted to the council by Alfred Crew Consulting Engineers of Ridgewood detailed the

required upgrading and other options available.

A total of four options was offered by the Ridgewood firm. Two involved the upgrading or the construction of a new facility at Laurel Homes. A third was to hook into the Two Bridges plant, at a cost of \$600,000 to \$700,000. The council also considered hook-ups to the Wayne Township sewer system at a cost of \$350,000.

The Wayne Township option was favored by Councilman Arthur Schmidt, the sole dissenter in the 4-1 vote.

Voting in favor of the Two Bridges option were Mayor Ruth Spellman, Councilman Lawrence Blomberg, Councilwoman Betty Cass-Schmidt and Councilwoman Evelyn Justesen.

Irvington seeks senior's kin

Irvington police are trying to locate the relatives and friends of a 86-year-old man who was critically injured in a car accident Sunday.

John Sterner was struck by a car that backed into him at Springfield and Ellis avenues, according to Anthony Colacurto, the Irvington police director.

The accident occurred at 9 a.m. when a couple from New York pulled out of a driveway, he said. The driver, whose name was not immediately available, was charged with careless driving.

Colacurto said Sterner was taken

to University Hospital in Newark. A hospital spokesman said yesterday he was in critical condition and being treated for head injuries.

Anyone with information should contact Detective Richard Winowski of the Irvington Police Department.

Meanwhile, the Orange Police Department is also looking for the relatives of a 54-year-old man who died in a fire earlier this month.

Director Charles Cobbert said the body of Albert Sabo was discovered in a blaze Dec. 4 at an abandoned gas station at 21 Glenwood Ave. in Orange.

Morristown keeps homes

The Morristown Council last night took action to keep private homes among the mix of development under way in the Morristown Square area.

An amended zoning ordinance requires that residential units account for at least 25 percent in developments built in the office and residential zone along the south side of Madison Avenue from James Street to the square.

Mayor David Manahan said it was important for the town to retain its res-

idential strength despite the encroachment of commercial and office activity, noting the prevalence of law firms locating near the county courthouse.

The council also established the position of fire captain to provide additional administrative strength for the department. The department consists of Fire Chief James Egbert and several lieutenants, in addition to some 25 professional firefighters. The position is effective Jan. 1, 1989.

Pair seized in drug raid

A 10-month investigation into the activities at a two-family house in Irvington led to the arrest of two Newark men on drug charges, police said yesterday.

A team of law enforcement officers raided a house on Ellery Avenue near Clinton Avenue about 6:30 p.m. Monday and arrested Lloyd Hall, 20, and Laquan Vent, 20, both of 17th Avenue in Newark, said Irvington Police

Director Anthony Colacurto. Both men were charged with possession and possession with intent to distribute cocaine and with sale of the

Gasoline & Diesel Fuel

Wholesale

CAPITAL FUEL

CHECKS ACCEPTED **272-9290** C.O.D. CASH

Luxury, performance and value without surrender to fad or passing fancy.



Mazda 929

To a world choking on superficiality comes an automobile offering legitimate quality and value: the Mazda 929.

Its standard equipment is so extensive it's described in a separate list you'll come to later. But note that even that will only give you the highlights. There's more.

For example, the interior of the 929 is quieter than some European luxury cars that cost many thousands of dollars more.

The 929 can accelerate from 0 to 60 in just 9.8 seconds and reach a top speed of 121 mph. Right up there with some "high-performance" cars priced as much as \$10,000 more.

The 929's 96 cubic feet of passenger room and 15 cubic feet of cargo space are more than you'd get in an Acura Legend. Even though the Acura is priced higher.

Finally, the 929, like every new Mazda, is backed by a 36-month/50,000-mile "bumper-to-bumper" warranty. It's among the best in the entire automotive world.

Still, the best of the story is waiting for you at your Mazda dealer's. Come drive a 929. See how real luxury, performance and value can be.

- 929 Standard Features Include:**
- 3.0-liter, 18-valve, fuel-injected V6 engine
 - Electronically-controlled 4-speed automatic transmission at no extra cost
 - 100-watt AM/FM ETR stereo cassette with graphic equalizer and six speakers
 - Electronically controlled automatic air conditioning
 - Cruise control
 - Power moon roof
 - Power driver's seat with 8-way adjustment
 - 4-wheel power disc brakes
 - Variable-assist power steering
 - Tilt/telescopic, leather-wrapped steering wheel
 - Theft-deterrent system
 - Orthopedically correct reclining front bucket seats



Now you can lease a 929 direct from your Mazda dealer. See him for details.

See your Greater New York Mazda dealer today.

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL
SEIZURE NO. 88-15199-C
HNO 07188-193V
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN
TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provision of Sec. 12-211 ET SEQ of the New Jersey Administrative Code, a hearing will be held by the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control on December 7, 1988, or such adjourned date as the Director may determine, at the Division offices, TRW Complex, Trenton, New Jersey, to determine if the following described property, seized on August 14, 1988 at 547 Central Avenue, Newark, New Jersey from Jennine Naudran, 47 Main Street, Orange, New Jersey consists of unlawful property thereunder.

1. 1981 Oldsmobile
2. 1981 Oldsmobile
3. 1981 Oldsmobile
4. 1981 Oldsmobile
5. 1981 Oldsmobile
6. 1981 Oldsmobile
7. 1981 Oldsmobile
8. 1981 Oldsmobile
9. 1981 Oldsmobile
10. 1981 Oldsmobile
11. 1981 Oldsmobile
12. 1981 Oldsmobile
13. 1981 Oldsmobile
14. 1981 Oldsmobile
15. 1981 Oldsmobile
16. 1981 Oldsmobile
17. 1981 Oldsmobile
18. 1981 Oldsmobile
19. 1981 Oldsmobile
20. 1981 Oldsmobile
21. 1981 Oldsmobile
22. 1981 Oldsmobile
23. 1981 Oldsmobile
24. 1981 Oldsmobile
25. 1981 Oldsmobile
26. 1981 Oldsmobile
27. 1981 Oldsmobile
28. 1981 Oldsmobile
29. 1981 Oldsmobile
30. 1981 Oldsmobile
31. 1981 Oldsmobile
32. 1981 Oldsmobile
33. 1981 Oldsmobile
34. 1981 Oldsmobile
35. 1981 Oldsmobile
36. 1981 Oldsmobile
37. 1981 Oldsmobile
38. 1981 Oldsmobile
39. 1981 Oldsmobile
40. 1981 Oldsmobile
41. 1981 Oldsmobile
42. 1981 Oldsmobile
43. 1981 Oldsmobile
44. 1981 Oldsmobile
45. 1981 Oldsmobile
46. 1981 Oldsmobile
47. 1981 Oldsmobile
48. 1981 Oldsmobile
49. 1981 Oldsmobile
50. 1981 Oldsmobile
51. 1981 Oldsmobile
52. 1981 Oldsmobile
53. 1981 Oldsmobile
54. 1981 Oldsmobile
55. 1981 Oldsmobile
56. 1981 Oldsmobile
57. 1981 Oldsmobile
58. 1981 Oldsmobile
59. 1981 Oldsmobile
60. 1981 Oldsmobile
61. 1981 Oldsmobile
62. 1981 Oldsmobile
63. 1981 Oldsmobile
64. 1981 Oldsmobile
65. 1981 Oldsmobile
66. 1981 Oldsmobile
67. 1981 Oldsmobile
68. 1981 Oldsmobile
69. 1981 Oldsmobile
70. 1981 Oldsmobile
71. 1981 Oldsmobile
72. 1981 Oldsmobile
73. 1981 Oldsmobile
74. 1981 Oldsmobile
75. 1981 Oldsmobile
76. 1981 Oldsmobile
77. 1981 Oldsmobile
78. 1981 Oldsmobile
79. 1981 Oldsmobile
80. 1981 Oldsmobile
81. 1981 Oldsmobile
82. 1981 Oldsmobile
83. 1981 Oldsmobile
84. 1981 Oldsmobile
85. 1981 Oldsmobile
86. 1981 Oldsmobile
87. 1981 Oldsmobile
88. 1981 Oldsmobile
89. 1981 Oldsmobile
90. 1981 Oldsmobile
91. 1981 Oldsmobile
92. 1981 Oldsmobile
93. 1981 Oldsmobile
94. 1981 Oldsmobile
95. 1981 Oldsmobile
96. 1981 Oldsmobile
97. 1981 Oldsmobile
98. 1981 Oldsmobile
99. 1981 Oldsmobile
100. 1981 Oldsmobile

LEGAL NOTICES

of Essex on the 1st day of February 1989 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon, in the City of Newark, before the Hon. Herbert S. Gluckman, J.S.C. for a judgement granting her a divorce. The defendant Gordon Jackson shall either serve an answer on plaintiff's attorney within 35 days of the date this notice is posted or appear at the hearing. If the defendant fails to answer a default may be issued against him for the relief demanded.

Thank You

\$27.00

McGuire & Washington, Esqs.
Andre L. McGuire, Esq.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TURBIDITY OF PEQUANNOCK WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

EXCEEDS MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL

The City of Newark, Division of Water Supply Utility wishes to notify the consumers of our Pequannock Water Supply System, which includes Wayne Township, Pequannock Township, Bloomfield, Belleville and part of Newark, that the maximum contaminant level for turbidity in drinking water was exceeded for the month of November, 1988.

The State Department of Environmental Protection has established limits of 1 Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) for a monthly average of daily water samples. The monthly average for the Pequannock Water Supply was 2.1.

In order to bring the turbidity below the maximum contaminant level, filtration is required. The City has recently commenced construction of a filtration plant.

Runs Dec. 14, 15, 16, 1988

\$112.50