

## TRIP SOUGHT FOR GIRL

# *Cancer victim fund launched*

A trust fund for 4-year-old Amber Calistro, a Milford child suffering from cancer, has been established at the Baybrook office of the Colonial Bank, 20 Ocean Ave., West Haven.

The fund, initiated by Carlene Barabas of East Haven, will be used to pay for a trip to Disneyworld for the little girl.

Ms. Barabas, who read about Amber's disease in *The Register*, said someone in her own life had died from cancer and she said, "I just wanted something nice to give the baby."

If the girl does not survive her illness, Ms. Barabas said, the money will go toward cancer research.

Amber's mother, 27-year-old Patricia Calistro, has been researching urgently the various kinds of treatment for cancer, including the conventional radiation and chemotherapy and the controversial use of Laetrile, a substance made from apricot pits.

Doctors treating the child have given her a 50 percent chance of surviving a year and a 25 percent chance of surviving five years. Amber's cancer began behind her ear as cancer of the muscle. Cancer cells found in her brain and spine indicate the disease has spread.

Anyone wishing to donate to the fund can do so by contacting the bank directly.

