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**HIGH SCHOOL MUSICIANS**—Shown with their instruments are the students of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School that play with the All-State and Region II bands. They are: Rick Huber, Diana Triplett, Bill Zaumen, Troy Tyson, Nancy Bailey, and Doug Andrusky.

## High School Students Work With Orchestra

Douglas Andrusky, Nancy Bailey, Zaumen, four students of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School participated in the All-State Band forums, rehearsals and concert on Feb. 22, 23, and 24 at The James Caldwell High School. Position in the all-state band is acquired by individual competitive auditions. Special congratulations go to Douglas Andrusky who placed first solo chair (concertmaster) in the band after competing with two other fine clarinetists from Regions I and II.

The New Jersey All-State High School Symphonic Band is sponsored by the New Jersey Education Association through the department of The Music Educators' Association. One hundred sixty band students from eighty-eight New Jersey High Schools were directed by Glenn Cliffe Baimon, Director Emeritus of the New Western University Bands.

The above students are members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Band which is directed by Joseph M. Checchio, Music Director of the Local school district. The High School Band of 115 students is planning its annual concert "SOUND OF A CITY" which will be presented on Saturday Evening April 27.

## Tragic Fire Takes Lives Of Father; infant

A father of six and his infant daughter were killed in one of the most tragic fires in Scotch Plains history this week.

Stephen J. Stavish, Jr., a marine with service in World War II and the Korean War, and his youngest daughter, Susan Lee, 11 months, perished in a fire that nearly gutted his second floor apartment at 189 Terrill Road.

Cause of the fire has not been determined. Police said that Stavish may have fallen asleep in a chair with a lit cigarette still burning.

Stavish's oldest daughter, Stephanie, 10, led her two brothers and two sisters -- Stephen, 7; Matthew, 6; Ellen, 4 and Josephine, 3 -- to safety, aided by her neighbors on the first floor. Mrs. John Sibilla and her 12-year-old grandson, John.

Stavish apparently fought for his life while the fire raged. Stephanie declared that she heard her father's screams -- awful screams -- but was unable to find him because of the smoke. Mrs. Ruby Stavish, the children's mother, was also unable to find her husband in the smoke.

Mrs. Stavish carried her child to safety, but the infant died 10 hours later at Muhlenberg Hospital.

Stavish was an industrial designer. He attended Union Junior College and Stevens Institute.

The N. J. All-State Band will culminate this year's activity by participating at the Convention of the Eastern Division of the National Music Educators Conference to be held at Atlantic City on March 1, 2, 3, and 4.

These above activities are a very small part of the music activities involving literally thousands of N. J. High School students. Given the proper guidance, encouragement and opportunities from parents and educators, these teenagers certainly will grow up to be better people to live with and more effective as well as productive contributors in a democratic society.

## Garbe; Orrico Honored

Two Scotch Plains men will be honored Saturday night by American Legion Post 209 at the group's annual dance at the Scotch Plains Country Club.

To be honored are: William M. Garbe of Old Raritan Road, who is Jurine World War II veteran, and recipient for the "Scotch Plainsman," a home town publication sent to local servicemen during World War II.

Scott J. Orrico, a teacher in the Scotch Plains - Fanwood High School, an air force veteran, and past commander of the post.

The two men are being feted for their efforts during World War II.

Garbe is well-known in Scotch Plains because of his numerous civic contributions. It is expected that he will be especially singled out for his contributions via his service paper, however.

His interest in young people is evidenced by his establishment of a scholarship foundation that has provided financial assistance to boy graduates of Scotch Plains High since 1955. His wife has a similar scholarship program which gives assistance to female graduates.

Garbe is retired. He had been an executive with the Mannes Chemical Co. of Garwood.

Orrico, a graduate of Florida State College, is a student at Seton Hall University where he is taking graduate courses. He teaches social studies and coaches cross-country track at Scotch Plains - Fanwood High School.

## Suburban Club Holds Supper

On February 23rd the Suburban Club of Scotch Plains and Fanwood held a Pot-Luck Supper and Game night. Mrs. J. Stauder was in charge of the supper and Mr. & Mrs. R. Steinbruch supervised a variety of games. Club members and their husbands attended.

Mrs. C. Sweet membership chairman, announced a new member Mrs. B. Nelson welcomed to the club.

## To Observe Prayer Day

World day of prayer will be observed in Scotch Plains at the First Methodist Church on Friday, March first at 1:15 P.M. Women from the First Baptist Church, St. John Baptist Church, All Saints Episcopal Church and the Fanwood Presbyterian Church will take part in the service, and Mrs. Archie Parr from the First Methodist Church will deliver the message.

The women's choir from the First Presbyterian Church will sing, directed by Mrs. J. W. Hutchinson. Mrs. M. H. Totten of that church will be at the organ.

A nursery will be provided for small children.

## Get Charter

Henry H. Nussbaum, past governor of the New Jersey District of Kiwanis International, will present the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Kiwanis Club with its charter at a dinner-dance at the Redwood Inn, Somerville Saturday night.

The Scotch Plains unit was formed under the sponsorship of the Plainfield and Westfield Kiwanis Clubs. Rorice A. Baker, Lieutenant Governor of Division 9, will be toastmaster.

## Taxpayers Group Will Meet Wed.

The Scotch Plains Taxpayers Group will hold their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday evening March six, at eight pm. At the Plainfield Trust Bank on Martine Avenue in Fanwood. The Public is invited to attend.

The rising costs of government, on all levels is of major concern to all taxpayers who must pay the bills. It is our intent to bring "GUEST SPEAKERS" who are directly and elected or appointed to represent the will of the people...to bring the information and data to their voters, who are their residents.

Mr. Gordon Erlich, chairman of the PLANNING BOARD has Mr. Joseph D'Annunzio and Mr. William Franklin to speak on the "REVISED MASTER PLAN," with about forty new changes.

This plan has been a very controversial issue in Scotch Plains for over two years. And many residents of Cooper Road area, Kramer Manor and Shady Rest sections along with industrial area will be individually eager to hear and see changes...as many residents old and new ones share our community interest...as TAXPAYERS.

Mayor Norman LaCombe has been invited to speak on the progress since the state legislature passed the bill A-785, BOUNDARY LINE and the tract of 57 acres considered BLIGHTED which bordered on Fanwood. The \$12,274 GRANT for a FEASIBILITY STUDY...on this REDEVELOPMENT...urban renewal...for Scotch Plains...was received in December. Residents will be eager to hear the steps taken and future plans, concerning this issue. Which is east of Martine Avenue between FANWOOD line and CLIFFWOOD Avenue.

Mr. J. A. Stemmer, Director of our Union County Freeholders will also discuss OUR UNION COUNTY BUDGET...This too is of interest to all our TAXPAYERS, as it directly is broken

The Scotch Plains YMCA is offering an open club duplicate bridge on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:00 p.m. Master point games will be held every other month and fractional points the remaining weeks.

For further information contact Mrs. John Haslip 889-6012 or the YMCA.

## Mrs. Cady Will Perform

Mrs. Margaret Cady of Sky Top Drive, Scotch Plains will perform with the 90-piece Suburban Symphony under the baton of Peter Sozio on March 15 at the Mosque Theatre, Newark, in a benefit concert for Union Junior College, Cranford.

Susan Starr and Kenneth Amada, who will make their first appearance in this country following a triumphant six-week tour of Europe, will be the guest artists. They will make their debut as duo-pianists with a symphony orchestra.

The major work by the orchestra will be Brahms' "Symphony No. 1 in C Minor." Miss Starr and Mr. Amada will perform Mozart's "Concerto No. 10 in E Major for Two Pianos and Orchestra."

Tickets for the concert sponsored by the Friends of Union Junior College are available at the concert headquarters, 111 North Union Avenue, Cranford, at Union Junior College, at the box office of the Mosque Theatre, and at Bamberger's, Newark. Proceeds from the concert will go towards furnishing the theatre and music room in Union Junior College's Campus Center building, which is now under construction and is scheduled for completion this summer.

Mrs. Cady is a violinist with the Suburban Symphony of New Jersey and secretary of the Suburban Symphony Society of New Jersey.

## Jaycees Sponsor Junior Tourney

The Fanwood - Scotch Plains Jaycees are sponsoring a bowling tournament for boys and girls of the two communities in grades seven through twelve.

The tournament will be held at the Clark Lanes, 140 Central Ave., Clark, on March 2 at 1:00 P.M. and March 9 at 10:00 A.M., and will be conducted in accordance with the Junior American Bowling Congress rules. Contestants may bowl three games on either or both dates, and there will be a small entry fee for each three games. Entry forms, returnable by March 1, can be obtained from Mr. J. Mohr, Mr. L. Casari, Mr. H. Gleim, at the

local schools and Mr. E. Chen at the YMCA.

Trophies will be awarded for high single game and high three game series to both girls and boys in Division I, grades 7 thru 9, and Division II, grades 10 thru 12. The winners will be sponsored in the N.J. Jaycee Junior Bowling Tournament on March 23 at the Edison Lanes, with all expenses being paid by the Fanwood - Scotch Plains Jaycees. The winners of the local tournament will be sponsored at a trophy presentation dinner to which the parents are cordially invited at Mrs. D's Restaurant on March 26.

## Book Borrowing More Last Year

Scotch Plains residents borrowed a total of 56,053 volumes of books last year -- 14,077 more than the year before, Mrs. Charles Darway, library director has announced.

Mrs. Darway said the library is in the process of re-registering the complete clientele and during the past year the adult and Young People's departments issued 1,097 cards. The children's department issued 603 new cards, making a total of 1,700 new borrowers.

The library director pointed out that the library was still in the process of reorganization, according to plans made in the summer of 1961, at which time re-cataloging of a collection of 10,000 books was started. About 20 per cent of the children's department and ten per cent of the adult division have been completed.

housing was effected in 1962 with additional light fixtures, new lounges, and a new book-deposit installed. Included among furnishings added to the library were a card catalogue and a new book-case in the adult section.

The reference department of the library has been strengthened with the addition of the following texts, Mrs. Darway said: the World Book Encyclopedia, Moulton's Library of Literary Criticism, the New Jewish Encyclopedia, Compton's Picture Encyclopedia, and the Young People's Science Encyclopedia.

Contributions amounting to \$1,041.97 were received from the Scotch Plains Women's Club, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Teachers Association, the Suburban Club of Scotch Plains and Fanwood, School I, P.T.A., the Scotch Plains Lions Club, and the Friends of the Library.

## Walter Koster Advanced By Real Estate Boards



The Institute of Real Estate Management of the National Association of Real Estate Boards in Chicago announces that Walter Koster, President of Walter Koster, Inc., 409 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, has met its professional requirements and has been elected to membership with the designation of "Certified Property Manager" (C.P.M.). His election to membership in the Institute of Real Estate Management is recognition of his skill and ability by other leaders in his professional field.

The Institute of Real Estate Management is the main source of information and data required for maximum performance by professional property managers, so the property owners will receive the utmost in benefits from their investments.

Mr. Koster served as the ninth president of New Jersey Chapter Number One of the Institute of Real Estate Management in the year 1948. He was presented with a scroll for his outstanding contributions to this organization in the year 1957.

## March 25 is Important

Ten days after the Ides of March is an important day for Scotch Plains.

On that day -- March 25 -- the Scotch Plains Planning Board will hold a public hearing to air major revisions that have been proposed for the town's master plan.

The principal moves to be discussed are: 1. A proposal to establish a professional office zone, a new designation, on the south side of South Avenue, between Hetfield Avenue and the Westfield line.

2. Increased residential zones, including the Plainfield Avenue - Jerusalem Road area, where the industrial zone would be reduced.

3. Another Green Acres area of 20 acres east of Terrill Road, between Cooper Road and Raritan Road.

4. The reduction of the industrial area near the Lehigh Valley Railroad in the southeastern section of the township and designation of about 120 acres there for use under the Green Acres program.

5. Designation of two new sites for fire-houses. The proposed area are at the corner of Cooper Road and Terrill Road and on Morse Avenue.

6. Prohibition of garden apartments in Residential A (one acre areas) and Residential A-1 (one-third of an acre areas) and a requirement that garden apartment sites in other zones must have a minimum of three acres and have the approval of the Board of Adjustment.

7. New recreational areas. Plans call for a new playground on Front Street near the West Side House and an enlargement of the Farley Avenue playground.

The hearing will be held in the Junior High School at 8 p.m.

The Planning Board has established a speakers bureau. Board members are making themselves available to discuss the proposed revisions before interested clubs and organizations in Scotch Plains.

Residents are to receive detailed explanations of the master plan via a brochure and a color map which is to be mailed to all residents of the community.

## Good News for Plains

The report that the number of books loaned by the Scotch Plains Library climbed a total of 14,077 last year is heartening news. It shows that the members of the adult population in our community are not so concerned with lawns, television, and social clubs that they will not spend some profitable hours reading good books.

This attitude of our Scotch Plains readers would come as somewhat of a surprise to the average Europeans who regard Americans as a nation of people more concerned with the status of college degrees than the meaning behind their symbols. It has been said that in America a college degree is the END of an education; in Europe it is the BEGINNING.

It certainly ought to be the beginning here too. Any formal education, high school or college, should serve as the beginning -- something to whet the appetite -- for future experiences in the fascinating world of books. That is why our library is such an important part of our community.

With this increasing interest in books, we shall be hopefully awaiting word on the plans for the new library.

## Deborah Group To Hold Party

On Tuesday evening, March 19th at 8 P.M., the West-Mount Chapter of Deborah Hospital is sponsoring a dessert card party and fashion show at the Shackamaxon Country Club in Scotch Plains. The fashion show will be unique because the ladies in the audience will be able to try on the clothes and replenish their Spring wardrobes right after the showing.

The latest creations by well known designers will be modeled by members of the chapter. Moderate priced dresses, suits, slacks and bermuda shorts will be featured.

All the card tables will have a prize for the high scorer. There will be four prizes and many lovely gifts.

The guest of honor that evening will be Mr. Louis De Fazio of Clark, whose daughter, Deborah underwent successful open heart surgery last December. If she had not had the operation, doctors estimated that five year old Debbie would have had one year to live. Since the surgery, Debbie's mother amazed at her new found appetite and much needed weight gain.

# NEW 'TIMES' SET FOR NEXT WEEK!