

TO BE HONORED AT TEA

Five Local Students Receive PTA Scholarships



MARY BETH STOVEKEN

Scholarships have been awarded to four Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School seniors and one graduate by the PTA Joint Scholarship Committee. The seniors receiving the scholarships are Diane Jannuzzi, Rosemary Morel, Mary Beth Stoveken, and Jow Michalcewicz. Joyce Harring, a graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in the Class of '63, will receive a supplementary award to continue her studies.

These five students and their mothers will be honored at a tea given by the committee at the home of Mrs. Franklin Spooner, chairman.

Diane Jannuzzi, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Jannuzzi of 59 Arlene Court, Fanwood,



DIANE JANNUZZI

is planning to attend Douglass College. She will major in English, with further goals in teaching. Diane is a member of National Honor Society, treasurer of the Student Council, vice-president of Sub-Junior Women's Club, and treasurer of Spanish National Honor Society. She is also a member of the orchestra and Leader's Club.

Rosemary Morel will attend Gettysburg College, Pa., where she will study to become a secondary school English teacher. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Charles Morel of 49 Farley Avenue, Fanwood. Rosemary is active in National Honor Society, Leader's Club, the Girl's Athletic Council, Band, orchestra, Future Teachers of

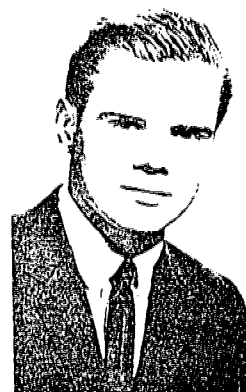


JOYCE HARRING

America, modern dance, and the cheering squad.

Mary Beth Stoveken will major in speech correction technique at Trenton State College. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Stoveken, 1947 Duncan Drive, Scotch Plains. Mary Beth participates in Fashion Club, P.T.A., Advanced Biology Club, and the Student Government Program. She is also a member of the National Honor Society.

Joe Michalcewicz, son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Michalcewicz, of 2305 Mountain Avenue, Scotch Plains, plans to attend Rutgers University and major in history. Joe has been an announcer for football games, chairman of the athletic committee of the CYO, and pres-



JOE MICHALCEWICZ

ident of Explorers, post 103. Joyce Harring, a graduate of SPFFHS, is currently attending Newark State College, where she is majoring in general elementary education. In college she participates in Aleithian Club, an inter-varsity Christian Association, the Childhood Education and Student Education Association, and Madrigal Dhorus. She is also a Sunday School teacher. In high school she was a member of the National Honor Society.



ROSEMARY MOREL

Foreign Service Promotes Former Township Man

The Senate has confirmed President Johnson's nomination of John A. Bushnell for promotion to class five in the Foreign Service of the United States. Bushnell is married to the former Ann C. Morel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Morel of 376 Robert's Lane in Scotch Plains.

Mrs. Bushnell was born in Scotch Plains and attended St. Bernard's School in Plainfield and Mount St. Mary's Academy in Mount Pleasant. The Bushnells were married in Scotch Plains in September 1962, and the couple departed soon thereafter for assignment in Bogota.

Bushnell is presently serving as Second Secretary and Financial Officer in the American Embassy where his duties involve close cooperation with the Colombian Government within the Alliance for Progress as well as the more traditional reporting and negotiating functions of the foreign service.

In addition to carrying for the couple's young son born in Bogota and assisting her husband in entertaining officials of the Colombian Government, Mrs. Bushnell is Treasurer of the Embassy Sports Association which supports numerous charity activities especially in making scholarships available to needy children. Mrs. Bushnell is also active in local charity work of the Catholic Church, and her usefulness in these activities is considerably increased by the working knowledge of spoken Spanish she has acquired since arriving in Bogota.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARD—The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Business Women and Professional Club honored Lydia Puchel (2nd from right) with Scholarship Award. L-r, Mrs. Victor Bazin, President of the club; Mrs. L. C. Webb, Scholarship Chairman, Miss Puchel and Lydia's mother, Mrs. Anthony Puchel. (Al Wrigley Photo)

Wheeler Is Named To Cashier Post

Newly elected cashier of the bank is William C. Wheeler who resides at 2031 Grand St., Scotch Plains, with his wife Shirley and 4 children, William, age 14; Susan, age 11; Steven, age 3; and James, age 7 months.

He was previously employed by the Union Center National Bank, Union, for 17 years as Assistant Cashier Personnel and Operations. Wheeler previously was manager of Branches for this same bank.

A graduate of Irvington High School, Wheeler attended Seton Hall University majoring in Business Administration. He is a graduate of American Institute of Banking and a graduate

of Dale Carnegie. Wheeler belongs to the following organizations: Lions Club of Scotch Plains; Association of Member Society of Residential Appraisers, Board Member Elizabeth Chapter American Institute of Banking, Past President of Elizabeth Chapter American Institute of Banking, and presently instructing a course on Principles of Bank Operations for Elizabeth Chapter American Institute of Banking in New Brunswick.

The Wheelers are congregants of the First Methodist Church of Scotch Plains. He enjoys such hobbies as hunting and fishing.

Breaks In For Round Of Golf

Spring fever seems to have affected one burglar in the Fanwood area—after breaking a glass on the greenhouse of Damiano of 590 North Avenue and entering the attached house, he only theft was of a set of gold clubs. The robbery occurred on the evening of May 4 and is currently under investigation by Lieutenant Detective Harold Millwater.

The boys who hurried home for supper Tuesday night without their bicycles will be happy to learn that they were picked up by the Fanwood Police Department. The owner of a 24 inch black Rollfast found at Forest Road Playground and the owner of a 26 inch black Essex English racing bicycle with chrome fenders may reclaim them at Police Headquarters.

1st National Bank To Break Ground For Building In July

The idea of a hometown bank to be called the First National Bank of Scotch Plains was conceived by Philip F. Lucia, Anthony D. Schoberl, and Frank M. Pitt back in November of 1962. After months of laborious detail work, a charter was granted in March of 1964; property on the site of the Old Parsonage at 334-336 Park Ave., was purchased and a trailer was bought in Connecticut in April and outfitted to be a temporary banking quarters. Temporary banking quarters are being built on the site. Ground breaking ceremonies will take place on a Saturday in the near future; ground breaking ceremonies are scheduled for July; and the institution hopes to move into its new bank building in the Fall of 1964.

While these are all important dates on the calendar of the First National Bank of Scotch Plains, the date of May 7, should also be circled for it marks not only the event of the first stockholders meeting, but the honoring of these men who originated the bank and the nine foresighted local businessmen who aided them in founding the institution.

These eleven men were elected by 35,853 votes out of a possible 42,500 -- the aforementioned votes were cast by shareholders in person or by proxy at the meeting held at the Shackamaxon Country Club.

Frank M. Pitt was born in Gardner, Mass. He entered New York University in 1928 and was graduated with a Bachelor of Commercial Science in Banking and Finance. Elected to two national scholastic honorary societies, Pitt continued his education at the Graduate School of Business of New York University.

He was employed by The First Boston Corporation, New York, for 21 years, of which 16 years were spent as an investment advisor in bank portfolios. For several years, Pitt was Vice President and Treasurer of Gardner Craftsmen, Inc., furniture manufacturers located in Gardner, Mass. Pitt is Past President of the New York University Alumni Club of Suburban, New Jersey; past member of the Board of Directors of the Graduate School of Business, New York University; past Treasurer of the Union Council of the Boy Scouts of America; a former director of the Union County Mental Health Association; First President of the Exchange Club of Union and one of the organizers of this service club; helped to organize the Exchange Clubs of Elizabeth, Westfield, and Trenton; past State President of the New Jersey State Exchange Clubs. Founder of the Union Town-

ship Chamber of Commerce eight years ago, he served as its first President from that time until a short time ago. Pitt is currently a director and the Regional Treasurer of the National Conference of Christians and Jews; a director of St. Elizabeth's Hospital; a member of the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Bankers Association; and a director of the Financial Public Relations Association.

Pitt is married and has two sons, now attending Cornell and Miami Universities. He resides at 392 Forest Dr., Union. Anthony D. Schoberl began his banking career with the First National City Bank of New York. He is a former secretary of the First State Bank of Union, former assistant vice president of the Clinton Trust Company, New York; and presently is director and executive vice president of the Franklin State Bank, Somerset.

A graduate of Columbia University; the American Institute of Banking; N.J. Banker's Association School of Public Relations; his early education was attained in the New York City school system. Schoberl served overseas in Okinawa campaign with the U.S. Marine Corps. He resides at 368 Robert's Lane, Scotch Plains with his wife and their

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Camera Eye On Babies-Pets

In the heart of Scotch Plains there exists a land of Lilliput as enchanting as any found in the story books—it is at 2395 Mountain Avenue and is located in the studio and apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bro. The rooms, filled with miniature furniture including a wee piano and tiny props, echo to children's laughter and the pitter patter of little feet.

Oscar and Elizabeth Bro are the owners and operators of The Bro Studio which specializes in taking photographs of "small fry", a term which they apply lovingly to their subjects which range from infants to pre-teens and even includes dogs and cats. Professional photographers, this husband and wife team have been featured in an article entitled, "Favored Trio—Babies, Children, and Pets" in the book on Careers in Photography by Edna Bennett.

Unlike most photographer's success stories, this one does not start with the gift of a box camera to the budding photographer—photography and Oscar Bro were introduced by economics. Born in north Wisconsin, Oscar was the son of Swedish immigrants who were homesteading in that farm region. When he enrolled at Northland College in Ashland, Wisconsin, Oscar had to literally work his way through photographer's studio. He took a job helping out in a local photographer's studio. In the morning, he opened up, swept the floors, made picture frames, but spent most of his time in the back room developing pictures.

Two years later, he met the petite co-ed that was to become Mrs. Bro—the young couple decided to wait until they had both graduated before getting married. For the interim between his graduation and Elizabeth's, Oscar continued helping out in the local studio in the summers while spending his winters in a Chicago studio. They were married two days before Christmas in 1931. After their marriage, Oscar continued running the studio in which he had received his training.

His early training as a technician in portrait studios in the middle west combined with these few years of practical experience in the production end of a portrait studio prepared

him for the opportunity to work with Ruth Nichols in her Westfield studio. Ruth Nichols, one of the all time photography greats, and a pioneer in the field, had just achieved national recognition for her advertising and editorial pictures of children. In 1933, Oscar Bro came east, followed two weeks later by Mrs. Bro who was persuaded to join the staff as an assistant in the studio.

"I came in to observe the studio and was hired on the spot," recalled Elizabeth Bro. "I was in business and I haven't been out of it since," she stated summing up a career that included making appointments, watching Mrs. Nichols two children, amusing and putting children (subjects) at ease for sittings, and pinch hitting as photographer and developer during wartime.

The Bros resided in a Westfield apartment near the studio until 1937 when they moved into a home of their own in the Maple Hill Farms section of Scotch Plains. For years, the combination of Ruth Nichols and the Bros met the stiff requirements of baby and child photographs. Oscar reports they worked on the "biggest baby accounts in the country."

In the fall of 1942, Oscar enlisted in the U.S. Navy because he had heard a famous photographer, Steichen, was signing up top-notch technicians with the idea that they would aid him in Washington D.C. Thanksgiving of that year found him in "Boot Camp" at Norfolk, Virginia; later he was transferred to the Bureau of Aeronautics, Training Division. This unit was supposed to supply pictures and training films—Oscar ended up in the backroom doing laboratory work, processing pictures, etc. "When Oek (Oscar) went into the service Ruth and I had to build scenery, take pictures, and do our own developing," reported Elizabeth Bro. "On occasion, we would call him to ask what we did wrong in developing or taking a picture."

During World War II, the services were using the newly introduced color film and processes that civilians became familiar with after the war under the name of Kodak Color. Oscar worked in the development of color film used in aerial

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS—Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bro of 2395 Mountain Rd., Scotch Plains, with their dog Sampson and cat Dollah. (Al Wrigley Photo)

YMCA Announces Summer Season Day Camp Program

Plans for the 1964 summer season of Camp Makawakmo, the Fanwood Scotch Plains YM-C.A.'s Day Camp for boys and girls from first through eighth grades were announced today by Camp Director Joseph Della Cerra. The 1964 season will run from June 22 through July 31, in three two-week camping periods. The camp will be held from 9 A.M. until 4 P.M. Monday through Friday.

In addition to Camp Director Della Cerra, Makawakmo will have an assistant Director, to be named, and a number of directors of special phases of the program.

A regular feature of the camp, aquatics and swimming instruction will be under the supervision of Mrs. Margaret Katims who will follow the National YMCA Aquatic Program for beginners through advanced swimming groups.

Handicrafts will, again this year, be under the direction of Dawn Sorrentino. A brand new Campercraft program will be headed by a director yet to be named and will include instruction in tenting, trailing, adapting nature to the campers' needs, etc.

Naturecraft, too, will be headed by a Director who will be named shortly. In this phase of the program the children will learn about the surroundings in which they are camping -- the tress, flowers, animals, insects, land formations and the sky above.

Hiking, cookouts, sports, recreational games, skits, dramatic programs, and special days such as "Olympic Day," "Carnival Day," "United Nations Day" and others, will break up the camp routine. Once each two-week period the camp will journey to the shore and spend the day in the ocean.

Counselors will work directly with tribes of about nine children each, on a grade level.

A special program is being designed for older campers in the seventh and eighth grades. It will include such activities as, archery, canoeing, water ballet, tennis lessons, riding, fishing, and other ideas suggested by the campers themselves. This "Junior Teen Camp" program will be somewhat separate from the rest of the camp and will have its own leadership as well as enjoying some of the regular camp leadership.

A pick-up route to bring campers to camp from convenient points in their neighborhood is again to be in force.