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• Community Proclamation

Dollars For Scholars ... Student Fund Drive

SCHOOL REFERENDUM

TUESDAY, MAY 16th

Addition or Double Sessions?

LEARN THE FACTS
DECIDE And VOTE

At this time of year scholarship awards are playing a vital role in the future educational plans of many students. Scholarships can mean the difference between going to the school of

his choice --- or settling for something less desirable. Scholarships can mean living on campus -- or spending valuable time, perhaps study time, commuting to and from school. Scholarships can mean having a job requiring less time -- or working longer hours with possible risk to health or academic success. Scholarships can even mean the difference between going on to further education -- or not going at all and having to pass up the opportunity to prepare for a more successful future.

Community Behind Carol Ann

"She is a plucky young miss and I pray she will keep up her spirit"... "I am also a 9th grader and I'm a fan of Carol Ann and I'm sending you my \$10"... "Carol Ann is a very wonderful and courageous girl and I am sure she has been an example to all of us"... "We wish Carol Ann Boyd a speedy recovery"... "I began teaching in 1914 and stopped in 1959. I have had many Carol Ann's in my classes"... These are the thoughts expressed in some of the scores of notes which have accompanied donations to the Carol Ann Boyd Benevolent Fund, from a retired teacher in Plainfield -- a 9th grade girl from Westfield -- a mother of six from Clark -- the cafeteria staff from a local school.

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS DAY on Saturday, May 13, will introduce a new scholarship program to the community. The Board of Trustees of the Scotch Plains - Fanwood High School Scholarship Foundation announced that plans have been completed for the one day drive. On that day student volunteers from the high school will call on residents, leaving a brochure which explains the Foundation and will ask for donations to establish the fund.

Students will meet in the cafeteria of the high school on Saturday morning at 9:15 for a short briefing and area canvassing assignments. They will begin soliciting immediately after with drivers taking them to their designated areas. Light refreshments will be served to returning canvassers.

"The response and the sentiment expressed by these early contributors is heart-warming," fund chairman Dyke Pollitt said today. "We have received gifts from as far away as Red Bank, Upper Darby and Wayne. It would appear that everyone who learns of the plucky and courageous fight of this little girl wants to take part."

The fund, administered by a committee of 18 prominent Fanwood and Scotch Plains residents, was established last week to raise \$25,000 to help offset medical expenses for 14 year old Carol Ann Boyd of Fanwood. A kidney transplant patient in February, Carol Ann has undergone surgery scores of times during the past 4 years and faces many more weeks of hospitalization. Constant care after discharge will add to the financial burden.

P.O. Box 3 in Fanwood has been reserved for contributions to the fund. A Finance Committee to administer the fund has been established. Its chairman is Mr. Richard Whitenack, manager of the Fanwood branch of the Plainfield Trust State National Bank. Serving with him are Mr. David Ringle, a prominent Scotch Plains

During the past week various organizations at the high school have been busy making preparations for the fund drive. The Frank W. Westcott Chapter of the National Honor Society has been preparing kits to be used by the student solicitors. Student Council members wore "Dollars for Scholars" skimmers advertising the campaign. Key Club and Interact members participated in the campaign to recruit student volunteers for the house to house canvass. Student Council has also generously donated tickets to their canteen Saturday evening for all students who solicit. This is truly an instance of enthusiastic students working hard to provide service for a community project which will benefit future young people.

For many years our community has been interested in and generously supported the various scholarship programs of civic and service clubs. Last year 26 organizations gave \$16,645 in scholarship aid to 31 graduating students. However, the Scholarship Foundation is endeavoring to encourage even wide community participation in this scholarship program, giving each one the opportunity to play a role in the future of some young person.



Dennis Tort, Student Council President and Betsy Vanderheyden, Secretary of the National Honor Society look on as "Dollars For Scholars" Proclamation is being signed by Mayor William Kitsz of Scotch Plains and awaits the approval of Acting Mayor Theodore F. Trumpp of Fanwood. Saturday is the big day.

In addition, the Foundation hopes to work with organizations presently engaged in scholarship programs to help coordinate fu-

ture scholarship awards.

In March the Foundation received over 50 applications for scholarship assistance. Since

that time a screening committee with Mrs. Franklin M. Spooner, chairman; Mrs. Philip Stein, Mrs. A. R. Ganss, Robert Hornby, and Mr. Robert Adams, Jr. has been carefully reviewing the applications. The Foundation scholarship is open to students enrolling in any post high school institution of learning. The amounts of the awards will be determined by the success of the DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS DAY. The PTA's were early supporters of the Foundation and their contribution will make possible an award given in their name. Awards will be made at the high school annual Awards Assembly in June.

"There are approximately 8,000 homes in Scotch Plains and Fanwood. If each homeowner gave JUST A DOLLAR we would be off to a great start", according to Mrs. Earl Phillips, Foundation chairman. A portion of the money collected will be given in scholarships this spring and the remainder will be used to begin an investment program to assure funds for the future. "We hope that DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS will be something that everyone will generously support and will be a source of community pride", Mrs. Phillips went on to say.

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is becoming increasingly necessary for young people to seek education beyond the secondary school level, and

WHEREAS, students frequently are dependent upon scholarship assistance to accomplish their educational goals, and

WHEREAS, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Scholarship Foundation, Inc. is endeavoring to make available increased scholarship aid to deserving students and to more effectively coordinate present scholarship programs,

NOW THEREFORE, We, William Kitsz, Mayor of the Township of Scotch Plains, and Theodore F. Trumpp, acting Mayor of the Borough of Fanwood, by the authority vested in us, do hereby proclaim SATURDAY, MAY 13, 1967 as "DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS DAY" and urge the generous support of this community scholarship program by all the residents when students call upon them for their donation.