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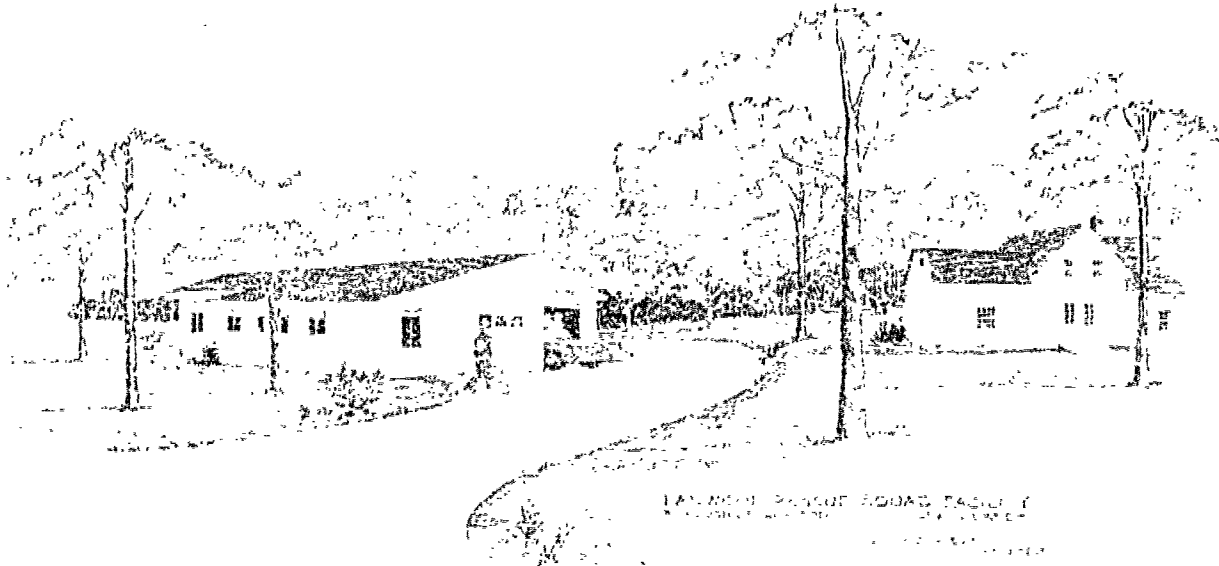
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New Building



The Fanwood Rescue Squad's new building, shown above, is to be located on the Slocum property, facing Watson Road.

Squad Unveils Sketch Of New Fanwood Bldg.

If progress continues at the rate it's going, Fanwood could have a new Rescue Squad building by this June. Squad members have been working with architect Richard Berry, plans are completed, and final details for approval are underway.

The Fanwood Borough Council is expected to vote last night on a leasing arrangement with the Squad, which would permit Squad lease of the land. The Council had also budgeted money in the 1977 budget, which would allow the Squad to obtain a loan for construction. James Russell, Squad Captain, reported to Council during its agenda session Monday night that everything is ready, and waiting for the first shovel of earth. Arrangements have been made for insurance for fire, theft and vandalism, and Squad members have visited old School One, looking at old school equipment to be auctioned. Some chairs and desks may be

used to furnish the new building.

Russell said the loan has been obtained, and the Squad has set a special meeting with the Fanwood Planning Board for tonight — one night after approval of the leasing — in order to speed Planning Board approval procedures.

"For a small building, the plans have really been kicked around a lot," Berry told the Borough Council. "I am sure this will provide for the needs in a small amount of space."

The building is to be situated on the Slocum property, across the street from Borough Hall on Watson Road. It will have about 17,000 square feet in area, and

will be placed parallel to Watson Road. Original site plans drawn by Berry had shown the building

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Leaf & Gum Ball Pick-up In S.P.

Pick-up of leaves and gum balls will be held on March 21st. There will be only one pick-up. All leaves and gum balls must be along the curb in bags and windrows by 7:00 am Monday, March 21, 1977. Any leaves or gum balls put out after that date cannot be picked up.

In order that there be no misunderstanding, and to facilitate the pick-up, the following basic rules must be observed.

1. Only leaves and gum balls will be pickup up.
2. Leaves and gum balls must be put in windrows or bags along the curb.
3. If branches, twigs or other foreign items are in the bags or windrows, the clean-up crew will not be able to pick up these piles — only leaves and gum balls are picked up.

We ask the public's cooperation in this matter.

Calendar

Thursday, March 10 — Caucus Session, S.P. Council, Rms 204-206, S.P. Municipal Bldg., 7:30 pm.

Thursday, March 10 — Bd. of Education, Agenda session, Administration Building, Plainfield Ave., 8:00 pm.

Monday, March 14 — Bd. of Education Candidates Night, sponsored by SP-F Council of PTAs, Terrill Jr. High, 8 pm.

Monday, March 14 — Fanwood Planning Board, Borough Hall, 8:00 pm.

Tuesday, March 15 — Bd. of Education, Committee of Whole, Discussion of goals from D.C.P.C., Administration Bldg., Plainfield Ave., 8:00 pm.

Tuesday, March 15 — S.P. Township Council, S.P. Municipal Building, 8:00 pm.

to the Board by school principal Dr. Terry Riegel last year, and rejected by the Board. The Riegel plan would close open lunch, and shorten the lunch to approximately 30 minute lunch periods on a staggered schedule.

Policing against rule violations was found to be nil, in the current open lunch policy, which permits students off campus for lunch but not for accompanying free periods either side of the lunch period. The lack of policing was attributed to lack of manpower to man 27 different school entrances. Problem areas, aggravated by the open lunch policy, were cited by the

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Mayors Invited To Meeting On PATH

Mayor Ted Trumpp of Fanwood will release a letter this week, to all Mayors along the Conrail line, from Elizabeth to Morristown, inviting them to Fanwood for a discussion of PATH proposed commuter service. "There are many conflicting thoughts along the commuting corridor. There is opposition to PATH, as there is opposition to the upgrading of Conrail," Trumpp's letter noted. He suggested that there is concern over cost per mile of PATH, over possible urbanization, and over possible costs occurring to the municipalities over parking, etc.

Trumpp has invited all Mayors and or their representatives to visit Fanwood Community House on March 29 for mutual discussion of the pros and cons to the communities along the commuter corridor.

"Commissioner Sagner says it is a fact of life," Trumpp's letter noted, but he expressed some question as to whether the PATH service is an final as Sagner would have the municipalities believe.

Locally, the Scotch Plains Council plans to review its position at a meeting on March 14. Several Council members in Scotch Plains have expressed views

that they are not totally informed on the pros and cons of PATH versus Conrail, and plan an informational session before taking a new position poll.

Concern is mounting along the commuting corridor, and in recent weeks, several communities which had heretofore registered favor for PATH service have changed to positions of concern.

In nearby Plainfield, where there has been strong support in the past, with expressions of hope that the service would revitalize the city center, some raised reservations about the

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Luncheon Guest



Mark Pinkowitz of Fanwood was a luncheon guest at Fanny Wood Restaurant in Fanwood last Saturday. Mr. Pinkowitz was severely injured in a serious accident involving a car and a two truck, at the corner of Terrill and Cooper, last October. Since then, he has become well acquainted with the members of the Fanwood Rescue Squad, who've transported him back and forth from hospital to home over the long months. On a recent trip from J.F.K. Rehabilitation facility, to Fanwood, Pinkowitz expressed a wish to dine at Fanny Wood. His request was granted last Saturday, as the ambulance pulled up to the door, and Squad members happily saw to it that Pinkowitz dined in style.

Correction

Last week's issue of *The Times* carried information on historical incidents in the Revolutionary Battle of Short Hills. The paper has since received comment concerning authenticity of some of the historical data therein included. In the future, before the June dedication of a monument commemorating the battle, the paper's staff will make every effort to research battle data and to present a detailed and correct account.

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Committee Recommends Changes In HS Program

An Ad Hoc Committee, named by the Board of Education in January to study four facets of the operation of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, has returned recommendations to the Board. The Ad Hoc Committee studied Open Lunch, Open Ended Day, Self-Directed Time, and Changes in Credentials for Graduation.

The Committee was charged to write a report on the topics, including identification of problem areas, extent of problems, purpose, goals and objectives of each item and how well the goals and objectives were being met. The Committee was further charged with recommending continuation, modification, or discontinuation.

Open Lunch, which is innocuous in itself, would nevertheless be changed if the committee's recommendation were followed. The privilege should be terminated if the Open Lunch cannot be controlled using present or estimated future manpower resources. The committee suggested adoption of the Riegel Plan — a recommendation made