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## Wedding Bells Ring



The lovely days of May and June... time for wedding bells! See our special bridal section in today's issue, for interesting advertisements from area wedding specialists, and informative articles from latest issues of "Modern Bride" magazine.

Special Bridal Section Begins On Page 9

## Brick Or Siding? Fanwood Council Debates

Originally, Richard Berry of Fanwood designed a new Rescue Squad building for Fanwood, featuring cedar siding, stained white. It would complement other municipal buildings which will be coming to the same site — the Slocum property, where the Rescue Squad construction is now underway.

However, Rescue Squad members have had an offer of top-quality real brick at a bargain basement price, and they approached Council on Monday night to show the brick and to seek an OK to use it instead of the siding.

The request triggered considerable discussion. Berry was on hand. He said that if he had his "druthers," he'd still opt for white siding, since the other

buildings would be the same. He noted that the brick is being offered to the Squad at a cost that the municipality would never be able to duplicate for a municipal building, and that labor was far cheaper than that which would be available when it comes time for further construction. However, Berry noted, the brick is highly tempting. He praised the quality, and said he understood the Squad desire to use it.

Questions of maintenance and insulation arose. Council members Charles Coronella, Bob McCarthy, Bob Winey and Pat Dunne indicated preference for the brick, but Councilwoman Carol Whittington indicated a preference for continuity of white frame buildings with green trim throughout the complex. Mayor Ted Trumpp agreed with Whittington.

## Calendar

**Thursday, May 12** — Agenda Session, Board of Education, Administration Building, Plainfield Avenue, 8 pm.

**Thursday, May 12** — Caucus Session, Scotch Plains Council, Rm. 204-206, Municipal Bldg., 7:45 pm.

**Saturday, May 14** — Bike-athon for Charlie Newman. Support bike riders. Pledge per mile!

**Monday, May 16** — Scotch Plains Planning Board, Council Chamber, 8:15 pm.

**Tuesday, May 17** Regular monthly meeting, Scotch Plains Township Council, Municipal Building, Park Avenue, 8:30 pm.

**Wednesday, May 18** — Fanwood Environmental Commission, Fanwood Community House, 8 pm.

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# New State Agency In On Cheerleading Dispute

## Eye Screen Marks Police Week

To mark Police Week, May 23 through 28, the Scotch Plains Police Department will combine with the Scotch Plains Lions Club in sponsorship of a free eye mobile. All residents may take advantage of the free eye screening and blood pressure testing, at the Municipal Building parking lot on Saturday, May 28, 10 am to 4 pm.

## Street Cleanup

If you're still putting windrows of leaves, stumps of trees, and twigs and branches along the gutters of Fanwood for spring garden cleanup... don't. That's the message from the Fanwood Borough Council.

Council discussed misunderstandings regarding spring cleanup last Monday night. Garden materials are still being placed at curbside, when in fact, that type of cleanup is over. It was indicated that many of the garden refuse materials are being washed toward catch basins, where they cause clog-ups.

Every street in Fanwood has been covered eight times during the weeks of the garden cleanup, and residents are urged to discontinue the placement of the materials at the curb. Detailed information on exact dates for forthcoming trash collections is provided in the card, sent to residents by the Borough Council in the spring.

Squad members indicated they could face the building with the brick at a cost just \$500 over siding costs.

Apparently, the shovels slipped a bit in construction of

## Want To Parade On Memorial Day?

Do you love a parade? Want to be in one? Gather up your parading unit, and telephone Mr. Scillitani at 969-0428. He's chairman of the Memorial Day Parade, scheduled for Monday, May 30. The parade will begin following 8:30 am services at the monument on Park Avenue and Front Street in Scotch Plains, and will travel along Park-Martine, ending with services at the Fanwood Memorial Library.

## O.E.E.O. Meeting Cancelled On Wednesday

The New Jersey Commissioner of Education, acting through the Department of Controversies and Disputes, is now the state level agency in charge of the controversial cheerleader selection issue here. The entry of the Department of Controversies and Disputes into the local case has negated the role of the Office of Equal Educational Opportunity into the case, and the long wait for a hearing at the state level appears to throw cheerleader selection decisions into late summer or early fall, at the earliest.

Last week, the local district was alerted of the concern and involvement of the State Office of Equal Educational Opportunity. Naida Thomas of O.E.E.O. and other departmental members, acting in response to a protest filed by black parents from Scotch Plains-Fanwood, asked for a meeting here with the principals involved in the cheerleading controversy. That controversy arose in March, when James Mason, a black teacher at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, charged that Karen McDermott, advisor to the cheerleading squad, held illegal tryouts. Mason said there were irregularities, and that McDermott had suggested names to him before the judging. He served as a judge.

Mason's charges led to extensive involvement and complaint from black students and parents. They appeared at several Board of Education meetings stating their protests, and the Board voted to direct high school principal Dr. Terry Riegel to conduct new tryouts with specific rules, to lay to rest all areas of concern.

Now, white parents have also complained, stating that there were declarations from advisor, students, principal and the other nine judges that there were no irregularities, and that their daughters won their cheerleading slots honestly and had a right to them.

The black parents were the first to approach the state,

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## YMCA With Union Catholic To Offer Summer School

Students seeking a summer school program — either for review or enrichment purposes — will find that two community groups, Union Catholic Boys High and the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, have combined forces to fill a need. Heretofore, the local public school district had provided a Summer School at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. However, a combination of a court ruling that public schools cannot charge tuition for summer schools, and a tight cap ceiling on budgeting which negated the possibility of a free summer school, led the local Board of Education to eliminate a summer school program this year. Union Catholic, where this year's program will take place, will work with the YMCA on details.

Peter F. Karycki, who headed last year's summer program at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, will repeat as head of the program again this year. Karycki said this week that plans call for commencement of summer school on Monday, June 27, and completion on Friday, July 29.

Brochures will be available at all schools in the district — from principals or guidance counselors, as appropriate — and at the YMCA buildings. There will also be advertisements in area newspapers. Registration can be made by mail, from information in the brochures, or at two in-person registrations, both at Union Catholic Boys High School, S. Martine Avenue,

Scotch Plains. The in-person dates are Saturday, June 11, 9 am to noon, or Thursday, June 23, 7 to 9 pm.

The summer school will be state-licensed, with credit given for courses taken. Tuition will be charged, in accordance with fees included in the brochures.

Students may elect to make up courses, attending a 60-hour review program, or they may choose to seek advance credit during the summer, attending a five-hour daily session. The review and advance offerings will include Algebra I, II; Geometry; Math. Analysis; U.S. History I, II; English I, III, IV;

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