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National Champs!



The Scotch Plains Recreation girls Senior Division Basketball Team who won the New Jersey State Championship in April, returned from Tennessee with the title of National AAU Basketball Champions. It is not only the first time New Jersey has held the title but also the first time that a team from the North has taken first place.

The championship game was played on Saturday night with Scotch Plains facing an excellent Tennessee team and finishing with the score 57-52. The N.J. team was behind until the fourth quarter when they took the lead to clinch the National title. Scotch Plains also defeated several very tough teams from California, Louisiana and the defending champions South Carolina on their way to the finals.

In addition to being National Champions, several individual players received special recognition along with their gold medals. Val Walker from Piscataway, Kris Kirchner from Union Catholic and Barb Withers from Seton Hall were asked to participate in the try-outs for the Pan American Games and the 1980 Olympic Team. Both Val and Kris were named to the All-Star Tournament Team and Val took first place in the Free Throw Championship, hitting 23 out of 25 foul shots.

Barb Withers was named the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament. Lori Howard (Ridge) and Alice Heddon (N.

Calendar

Friday, May 27 — Bantasia, SPFHS, 8:15 pm.

Saturday, May 28 — Democratic Response, Municipal Building, 11 am.

Saturday, May 28 — Fitness Runs, 10-mile at Municipal Green, 1 pm; 3-mile at Marlene Ave. YMCA, 1:30 pm.

Saturday, May 28 — Eyemobile, Municipal Parking lot, Scotch Plains, 10 am - 4 pm.

Monday, May 30 — Parade, Family Picnic - beginning at S.P., 9 am. Picnic at LaGrande Park.

Hunterdon) received Honorable Mention for their outstanding performances.

The other members of the team, all of whom were instrumental in the victories were: T.C. Flynn (Roselle), Lynda Nelson (N. Hunterdon), Patty Contursi (Bridgewater), Lori Daniel (Hunterdon Central), Julie Griffin (Union Catholic), and Pam Holmes (Union Catholic).

The team was coached by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Trimmer of North Plainfield.

Eyemobile

The Scotch Plains Board of Health, the Scotch Plains Lions Club and the Police Department have coordinated an eye-screening program for this Saturday, May 28. The Eyemobile will be stationed at the Municipal Building Parking Lot, from 10 am to 4 pm.

The event marks the culmination of Police Week, and has been chosen as a community service project to mark the week. The hour from 10 to 11 am will be reserved for senior citizens. Any senior citizens who are unable to obtain transportation are invited to contact the Scotch Plains Police for rides.

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Sets Town Meeting

Scotch Plains' Mayor Anne B. Wodjenski has announced that there will be a Town Meeting at Scotch Plains Municipal Building on Saturday, June 18.

Town Meetings are held for the purpose of demonstrating to people that it is possible for persons of varied backgrounds and differing viewpoints to work together to identify community needs and to attempt to develop practical plans for meeting those needs.

Details will be announced next week.

Board Holds Line On Residency

Board members Thomas Fallon and Vincent Shanni felt that there is no reason why the local school district couldn't take in an out-of-district resident from Plainfield, on a tuition basis. However, their fellow Board members disagreed, and members Richard Bard, Larry Andrews, Edward Spack, August Ruggiero, Leonia Reilly and Robert Lariviere voted to deny a request for the tuition-based attendance.

Superintendent Reigh Carpenter urged a denial of the request. While there is no written policy on the matter, Carpenter said the district "does not make it a policy."

Fallon moved that the Board accept the student, with Shanni as second.

There was audible negative reaction from the audience in attendance.

"There's no reason we can't take this student in. It would defray our costs," Shanni said.

Big Parade, Picnic Mark Holiday Weekend

Step right up, folks. Then, step right in . . . to the line of march for the annual Memorial Day Parade! This year, you not only watch friends and neighbors marching by, but the Town Picnic Committee of Fanwood invites you to step right in at the end of the parade, for a community march on to LaGrande Park, where a wonderful round of events is planned for the entire. The parade takes off at 9 am.

Who'll keep you in step? For starters, how about Corporal Kawalski's Solid Silver Chrome-Plated Authentic Portable Brass Band? Then there will be The Chatham Colonial Rifles (with their muskets, naturally), the American Legion Military Marching Band from Edison, the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh — a pipe and drum unit — and everybody's top favorite, the Raider Marching Band, straight from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

The parade begins in Scotch Plains at 10:30, and marchers go south on Park-Martine. At the intersection of North-Martine, the bands and the dignitaries will take a left, to the Fanwood Memorial Library, where services will be held. Other contingents and the marching public will be directed right, into the railroad station area where they'll remain for a few minutes.

When the parade starts up again, it'll travel over the bridge into Fanwood center, then right into Marian Avenue, on to LaGrande Park.

Scotch Plains residents as well as Fanwoodians are welcomed and encouraged to attend the picnic, and a cordial invitation has been jointly extended by Mayors Ted Trumpp and Anne Wodjenski.

Doors Close At SPFHS, As Open Lunch Dies

"Open" lunch — that privilege which allowed students at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School to dine off-campus — will no longer be in existence beginning with the 1977-78 school year. The Board of Education voted 6-2 to "close" open lunch. Lunch periods will be 13 minutes shorter next year than they are now.

The Closing of open lunch had been recommended by a study committee, made up of citizens, students and staff members. Last year, High School Principal Dr. Terry Reigel had recommended implementation of basically the same plan adopted by the Board of Education last Thursday. However,

"If this family wants their daughter to go to school here, there are plenty of houses available for sale. Let them buy a house here," Bard retorted.

What happens at the park? Just name it. There will be a Kiddie Muster and Parade for wee citizens early on. They'll bring kitchen utensils, pot lids, etc. to make lots of noise.

Mini-bikes will be available for rides, and ponies will attend, for riding purposes. A haystack with hidden money will lure the lovers of jingle, and the cake walk will entice cake-eaters and game-players as well.

Adults will be invited to play volleyball, horseshoes, and ping pong. Big wheel races will take place in the skating rink, where those big wheels will be zipping around at top speed.

For those who like spectator sports, entertainment will be non-stop. On a stage erected in the park, the Staten Island Academy Octet with songs of the 50's, Harry Williams and Company, a magic show, square dancing, the Y Gym team, a rock band and others will hold forth.

Richard Bard of PIXIE Enterprises is donating a play of the Fanwood Railroad Station, to be raffled off at the picnic, with benefits going to the event.

For the hungry, hot dogs, hamburgers, sausage and peppers, soda, Italian ices, etc. will be in ample supply.

the Board at that time did not choose to act on Reigel's plan.

Reigel had cited inability to control the open lunch. There were instances of students combining a free period with open lunch, to spend double periods away from school. The rule as written had prohibited this.

The plan reduces the number of class periods from eight to seven daily.

The two Board members in opposition were Richard Bard and Thomas Fallon. Bard has said repeatedly that he feels the shortened lunch period does not provide enough time. The lunch period will now be 30 minutes, instead of the 43 minute lunch period of this year.

Early Closing

Due to the holiday weekend, all copy for next week's issue of *The Times* should be submitted by Friday, May 27 at 5 pm.