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Wanted: Bees



Man from another planet? No, Bruce Hargrove from Scotch Plains. Bruce collects and raises bees. Here, he examines a hive.

Bruce Hargrove - Scotch Plains Beekeeper

If you've got bees living at your home, and you're not feeling any too hospitable, we know where the bees can move — if they're honeybees. Bruce Hargrove of Park Avenue, Scotch Plains is actually looking for bees. In fact, he ran an advertisement in an area classified newspaper, inviting people to contact him if they have nests or hives they'd like removed.

Hargrove is collecting bees, for both fun and profit. He now keeps ten hives, containing 300,000 bees, on the grounds of Amberg's Perennial Farm on Lambert's Mill Road — with the blessings of the farm owners, who appreciate the fantastic pollinating job bees do on flowers and produce gardens. Hargrove wants his business — Hargrove's Aviaris — to grow, so he is asking people to call him in when they have bee problems in homes, garages, lawns, etc. He's well aware that the average homeowner can't tell a yellow jacket from a honeybee, but he's willing to come out on the chance that he'll find some new honeybees to add to his hives. If the bees end up to be yellow jackets, as happened in the case of the author, Hargrove very

kindly takes the owner's insect or wasp spray, and eliminates the nest.

The interest began two years ago. Hargrove was painting houses, and he ran into a problem with bees in the eaves of a home where he was working. He consulted a friend who raised bees, and found out how to eliminate the hive from the house. Then, six months ago, a fellow gave Hargrove a hive, and he's begun his bee-hustling. He estimates that he'll collect a total of 800 pounds of honey from the ten hives he's now got. At present, his two outlets for his bottled honey are the Fruit Hut in Garwood and Amberg's.

Hargrove finds bees in all kinds of places. Recently, he was called to a home in Roselle Park,

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S.P. Sidewalk Sale Today Thru Saturday

Bargain hunters will delight in the large selection of sales offered by Scotch Plains Merchants during their 4th Annual Sidewalk Sale, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 4, 5 and 6.

Stores along Park Ave. and East Second St. will fill the sidewalks with super bargains for the whole family. Many sales will be continued inside stores as well.

Throughout the three days, special events have been planned. Fashion shows will be presented by Lady Leslie at her new location at 403 Park Ave. The Block Island Breakout, located at 1913 Bartle Ave. will have models strolling the sidewalks displaying their latest fashions.

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Tennis Courts Closed For 1 Week

The Fanwood Recreation Commission has announced that the LaGrande tennis courts will not be available for use by the public during the week beginning Monday, August 8. The courts will be resurfaced and respaced.

Ed Lambertson, Director of the Recreation program, said it is expected that a week should be sufficient to complete the work, weather permitting. Should further time be necessary, another notice will appear in next week's issue of *The Times*.

Following the week of construction, badges continue to be sold at LaGrande courts by the tennis attendant on weekends.

Physicals For High School Fall Sports

The dates for physicals for the Fall Sports Season are as follows: Tuesday, August 23, Soccer and Track; Friday, August 26, Football; Tuesday, August 30, Girls' Field Hockey, Girls' Tennis, and Girls' Gymnastics; Thursday, Sept. 1, Boys' Makeup Date; Thursday, Sept. 8, Girls' Makeup Date.

All physicals will be given in the High School Nurses' Office at 8:15 am.

Planning Continues On Fanwood Municipal Facilities

If anybody ever accused the Fanwood Borough Council of rushing into things on the last go-round of planning for new municipal facilities, it is unlikely that charge will ever be levied again. Burned by a citizen's petition, which negated Council's plans for a new municipal complex at the Slocum property, the Council is now edging its way once more toward improved accommodations for various municipal functions. The options are many, and the initial planning now underway leaves room for many changes.

Councilman Patrick Dunne said this week that architect Richard Berry has come up with very preliminary plans for an entire complex at the Slocum property. His plans could include a new building to house police, administration, the fire company and the legislative branch of the government. At this stage, Berry is now conferring with heads of these various agencies, to elicit their reactions to his plans. After he's obtained this input, Dunne said he will return to the full Council

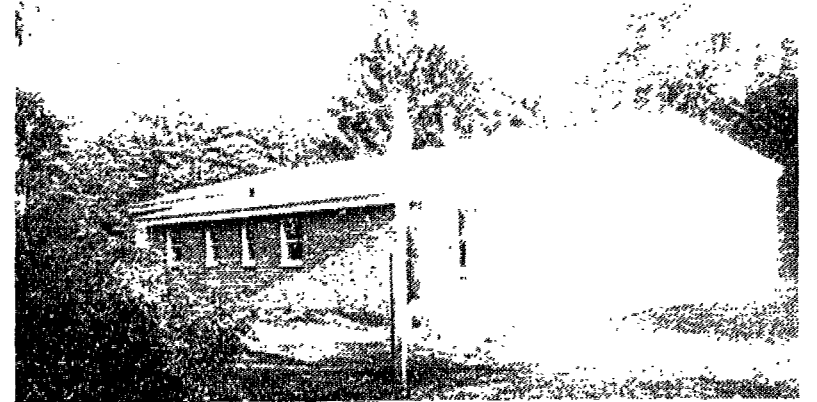
to communicate the reactions. Then, Council will again review before continuing.

"It is all still very nebulous," Dunne said. "Nothing has been finalized."

He noted that the ballpark figure under discussion is in the area of \$600,000. This \$600,000 would buy a new municipal building, located where the Slocum House now stands, as well as a community-center type of building, to be used as a multi-purpose meeting place for

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Which Takes Longer? Buying Ambulances Or Buildings?



Would you believe — it takes longer to get delivery of a new ambulance than it does to build the building in which to house it? The Fanwood Rescue Squad found that out this year, as they ran a race against time, providing a roof for their new rig. As things worked out, the timing will be perfect. The ambulance, custom-designed by the Squad members themselves, will be rolling into Fanwood within two weeks. Fortunately, all that remains to be completed in order for the new Squad building to be habitable is the electrical hookup, and that is due for completion also within two weeks.

The Rescue Squad has received assistance from many people in the community in order to achieve their goals and to meet their deadlines. Within coming weeks, festivities will be planned to show off both new acquisitions — the building on Watson Road, and the rig. Progress reports will be issued weekly, to keep the interested public abreast.

Calendar

Monday, August 8 — Agenda Session, Fanwood Borough Council, Borough Hall, 8 pm.

Monday, August 8 — Senior Citizen Housing Corporation, Room 202, Scotch Plains Municipal Building, 8 pm.

Wednesday, August 10 — Regular monthly meeting, Fanwood Borough Council, 8 pm.

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