

**COLONIAL TREADLE LATHE USED**



Standing like a silent sentinel of bygone days amidst the noisy uproar of a 20th century wood shop, a treadle lathe awaits use by energetic students. A volunteer approaches this antique-designed colonial machine, cautiously inserts a spindle to be turned, and laboriously begins to work the foot treadle mechanism. The spindle turns slowly at first and builds momentum as the student works up a sweat reminiscent of the effort our colonial forefathers gave to their craft. So this is the meaning of apprenticed labor!

Thanks to the creative effort of Mr. Thomas Botte, a student-teacher from Trenton State College, wood shop students have enjoyed the experience of working on an authentic reproduction of a colonial treadle lathe. The teaching lathe began in an independent study project which Tom undertook after careful research. Visiting flea markets and auctions, Tom took notes on construction, drew up his own plans, and built the machine himself. The lathe, fashioned entirely from wood, is meticulous to the last detail. All the fittings, even the screw threads, are wooden.

Fortunately for SPFH students, Mr. Botte's working model has been available for all of Mr. John Gayewski's wood shop students to use. Upon completion of his student teaching experience, Mr. Botte intends to take his lathe with him, to share this truly unique taste of history with his own students in the future. In this energy-minded time, perhaps this "re-discovery" reflects an idea whose time has come - again.

**COMMUNITY FUND WANTS YOU**

It is still not too late to register for the Scotch Plains Community Fund "Community Run", being held this Saturday, May 12th. You are invited to join your friends and neighbors in the 1, 3, or 6 mile course, and whether you walk or job, prove that physical fitness and community spirit can be fun!

The entry fee is \$5 and includes a route map, entry number, headband, and refreshments. You may register this Thursday and Friday, May 11th and 12th, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Martine Avenue YMCA, or Saturday morning, May 12th, from 7:30-9:00 a.m. at the Martine Avenue YMCA just before the race begins.

The agencies supported by the Scotch Plains Community Fund, a member of the United Fund, serve us all. Won't you join us?

**TENNIS TEAM TO STATES**

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Tennis Team has a record of six victories and one loss, which qualifies them with enough points for the State Tournament. They will also play in the County Tournament.

Last week the Tennis Team played Rahway with the lineup of Roland Livney 1st singles, Scott Bradway 2nd, and John Mahoney 3rd. First doubles was Tim North and David Stern, the undefeated combination, and 2nd doubles Walter Berghahn and Bob Briante filling in for Pete Walsh and Keith Friedenber. The team had a 5-0 victory. On May 3rd the team played Plainfield and another 5-0 victory was recorded.

Coach Esposito has given this team all the help and time needed to make the '79 Tennis Team a very good and respected team.

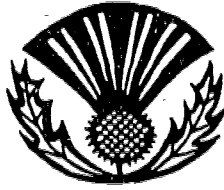
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**State D.E.P. mops up oil spill in South Scotch Plains**

As golfers ambled along the third tee at Ashbrook County Golf Course in the pleasant spring weather Monday morning, thick black heating oil also meandered through the south side of Scotch Plains - along a stream from the vicinity of Parker's Florist on Terrill Road, heading toward Clark and the Clark Reservoir. An oil spill, from a corroded above-ground 10,000 fuel oil tank on the florist property, released what Township Manager James Hauser termed a "major spill."

Fast action on the part of a citizen, in reporting oil in the stream, and on the part of the florist, in damming the waterway, averted a potentially serious pollution of the waterway. Early Sunday Morning, Henry Janssen of Cooper Road noticed oil in the brook, which traverses his property. He called police, who investigated. The police were closely followed by Township Manager, Board of Health, Public Works and Building personnel. Utilizing maps, they walked the waterway, seeking the source of the oil.

They tracked the oil upstream to the Parker's Florist property, where an above-ground 10,000 fuel oil tank had become corroded, releasing the oil. Representatives of the State Department of Environmental Protection joined township forces on site at midday on Sunday morning.

By Monday, barriers were in place at four different locations along the brook -

the first located near Cooper Road, between Terrill and Martine, the fourth and final barrier where the brook wanders along the third tee at the golf course.

According to Tony Farro of the Hazardous Substance Control Division of the Department of Environmental Protection, probably 90 percent of the oil had been recovered by Tuesday morning. Oil tank trucks were located along the brook, with vacuums sucking the oil slicks into the trucks, then flushing the oil from the water, and returning the water to the stream.

How much oil spilled? Difficult to determine, Farro said. He's been given three estimates - 5,000, 3,000 and 1,200 gallons. His personal estimate is somewhat over 1,000 gallons. The estimation is complicated by the fact that personnel at Parker's pumped oil from the corroded tank into another below-ground tank. There was additional oil in the below-ground tank, but

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A workman pumps oil slicks from a Scotch Plains brook.

**Gas prices will not deter boat owners this summer!**

By Kathy Szczepanik

Now that spring is in full bloom, and the prices of gasoline have slowly matured along with it, how many anxious boating enthusiasts will nobly save costly fuel

demands and mothball boats permanently?

The fact is, a great majority of people, young and old alike, have some fresh-air sport or hobby and these activities unfortunately take some use of gasoline. Boating, an essential use of gasoline to many, is a classic example.

There are those who agree

that gasoline is too expensive to be used for boating, or that boats are terrible things, contaminating the water with their exhausts, tearing up the shores with their wakes, and contributing to ecological disaster. But for local boating enthusiasts Dr. Robert Aruda, Dr. Thomas Guglielmo, and Mr. John

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**Plans set - Memorial Day parade, picnic**

Plans for the annual Memorial Day Parade and Picnic are in the final stages and all is about ready to go on Monday, May 28th.

Memorial Day activities will begin with Memorial Day Services in Scotch Plains by the Village Green. Parade marchers will assemble on Grand St. and Forest Road. The parade is scheduled to begin at 10 A.M. from Grand Street and proceed south on Park Avenue, past the reviewing stand on the Village Green, and continue into Fanwood via Martine Avenue. The marchers will turn right on Marian Avenue in Fanwood and continue to the Memorial Day Picnic grounds, La Grande Park. Once there, everyone is invited to join in the Memorial Day activities.

Several marching bands as well as local groups have

responded once again and all marchers are asked to assemble at Grand Street and Forest Road by 9:15 A.M. on Monday, May 28th. Any group or individual wishing to march in the parade is asked to contact either John Philips at 889-6532 in Fanwood or Peter Cirino at 755-8082 in Scotch Plains.

There will be some new surprises in the parade this year including a real treat for the kids. The one and only Ronald McDonald will be there for kids of all ages. Make sure you catch Ronald's special magic show at the picnic right after the parade. Ronald will also be handing out Free French Fries Coupons at La Grande Park after the parade. And did we forget balloons for the kids?

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John Mielach at the helm of "Heritage."