

**MAYORS IN THE SWIM**



Angela Cozza, Community Relations representative for McDonald's in Scotch Plains, presents a \$25 check from her company. The checks were made out to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. McDonald's pledged \$25 each to Mayor Ted Trumpp of Fanwood, above, and Mayor Alan Augustine of Scotch Plains, below, for their participation in the Swim-a-Long, cosponsored by the local YMCA and McDonalds. The Mayors joined other ambitious swimmers in logging laps which netted a total of \$7,000 for Muscular Dystrophy.



**"JAWS" CLOSE TO REALITY**

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #10122 drive to acquire a "Jaws" Rescue Tool for the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad has reached the halfway mark in total monies collected. The first phase of the drive - a collection of used clothing - was successfully completed. The V.F.W. is midway into Phase #2 - a request to all township organizations and industrial business companies for donations. If any companies have not been contacted, the V.F.W. asks that they act of their own initiative.

There are some canisters on counters in local stores. The V.F.W. does not plan to contact small merchants, since they are contacted continually for contributions. However, voluntary contributions will be gratefully accepted.

A thermometer registering the growth of the funds will soon be placed in the downtown area. The quoted cost of a "Jaws" extrication tool is \$6,000. The original goal was to involve as many local organizations as possible to work jointly on the collection. Participants to date include: Italian American Club, Scotch Plains Junior Women, American Legion Post 209, Westfield Knights of Columbus Council #1711, Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA and Scotch Plains-Fanwood V.F.W. Post #10122.

Checks may be made out to "Jaws for Life," P.O. Box 343, Scotch Plains, 07076.

**TEEN CENTER OPENS**

The Scotch Plains Recreation Department will open the "Teen Center" under the direction of Bill Lee. The Center is located in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School located on Westfield Road. Hours of operation will be from 8:00 to 10:30 PM every Tuesday and Thursday night starting on June 26th. You must be at least a sophomore in high school and no older than 19 years old to register. Registration is 1.00 dollar for the summer and will take place at the center starting the first night. Activities will include Ping Pong, Volleyball, and Basketball.

**READING CLUB FORMS**

Summer activities for children at the Fanwood Memorial Library will include a reading club entitled Build Yourself a Library. All elementary grade children are invited to participate in this program from June 18th to August 15th. Each child will receive a pictured library on which he or she will add a brick for each book read. At the end of the reading club a party will be held for all members.

For pre-school youngsters 3½ through 5 years old a story hour series will be held Tuesday mornings from 10:30 to 11:00 beginning July 3rd and continuing through August 14th.

All children must be registered for each of these activities Mrs. Jean Soderberg, Children's Librarian, suggest early registration for the story hours.

Summer hours now in effect at the Fanwood library are as follows: Weekdays - 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM, 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM, and 7:00 to 9:00 evenings with the exception of Fridays. The library is not open Saturdays through the summer.



**SCOTCH PLAINS**



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**Hearings continue on Old School One's future use**

It is not within the Board of Adjustment's domain to consider the historic status of Old School One, was the repeated and emphatic message from Board Attorney Anthony Rinaldo and Scotch Plains Board of Adjustment members - yet, for four and a half hours last Thursday, the Scotch Plains Board of Adjustment heard little else, as the long drawn out question of apartments on the Old School One site continued. The Board of Adjustment called a special meeting to continue hearings on the case, and will continue its consideration of the variance application again at its July 19 session.

Many citizens were on hand to argue in behalf of Old School One, which would be razed by Developer Makor, Inc. if a variance for rental townhouses is approved. The historical significance of the old school has triggered a local effort to attempt to save it from demolition.

The purchase of the school and the development of the land have been mired in one legal entanglement after another, since Makor Inc., bid \$185,000 for its purchase back in 1976. The developer bought the school contingent upon approval of a variance for apartment development. At the time of purchase, the old Stanford White-designed school appeared on a local Scotch Plains list of 35 buildings of historic significance, and in 1976, it was listed on a roster of county landmarks. However, at the time of public sale, the school had not yet been placed on the state and federal historic landmark registers, which designation is accompanied by legal protections in certain instances. It was included on state and federal registers in 1978.

When a state- or federally-designated landmark is owned by a public agency,

such as a school district or a municipality; rather than a private owner, the law requires that the State Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Historic Preservation be alerted when an "encroach-

ment" is planned. "Encroachment" includes a sale of the property.

Grace Hagedorn, representing the New Jersey Historic Sites Council, a Governor-appointed body of volunteers, informed the Board of

Adjustment last Thursday that she had been authorized to bring them a message from the Department of Environmental Protection's legal staff. The staff attorneys claim that the Board of

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**Local commuters will find new 'hometown' PATH cars**

Regular riders on the PATH transportation system between Newark and New York and Jersey City and New York will now be able to gaze at a "touch of home" if they ride in the right PATH car. Two PATH rapid transit cars were officially named for the local communities of Scotch Plains and Fanwood last Friday, at ceremonies in the PATH World Trade Center Terminal. Local dignitaries were well represented at the festivities and the luncheon which followed.

PATH Acting Vice President and General Manager Francis A. Gorman, joined Mayor Ted Trumpp of

Fanwood and Mayor Alan Augustine of Scotch Plains in unveiling the plaques mounted within the cars. The PATH Car Naming program was initiated in December of 1972 with placement of plaques in cars named for Newark, Jersey City, Hoboken and New York terminal points in the PATH system. The program has continued since, with cars named for many of the 300 communities served by the interstate rail transit system, either directly or through connecting rail and bus lines.

Communities were permitted to author their own bits of local history and civic information for inclusion on their plaques. The Scotch Plains plaque reads:

"Founded in 1684, the



The "Scotch Plains" PATH car becomes official, as Mayor Alan Augustine and Township Manager James Hauser join Frank Gorman of PATH in the unveiling of a plaque in the commuter car. Below, the Fanwood contingent enjoys the dedication of a PATH car named for the Borough. Left to right, Mayor and Mrs. Ted Trumpp, Borough Administrator Llewellyn Fisher, Councilman and Mrs. Patrick Dunne, Councilwoman Patricia Kuran and PATH's Frank Gorman.



Township of Scotch Plains was originally known as Scotsplain after the European immigrants who settled there.

The town gained prominence as an agricultural community and transportation hub for the Swift Sure Stage Line, which carried people and goods between New York and Philadelphia.

A prosperous Union County residential community with continued population growth, Scotch Plains offers a happy combination of rural and suburban life.

This car is named in honor of Scotch Plains, one of more than 300 communities whose residents travel on the Port Authority Trans-Hudson interstate rail transit system.

Mayor Alan Augustine was joined by Manager James Hauser for the festivities.

On the Borough of Fanwood car, the following message is inscribed on the plaque:

"Fanwood, in Union County, was incorporated in 1895 and promoted as a resort area by the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

According to legend, the Borough was named after Fannie Wood, the daughter of a president of the railroad.

Today, Fanwood is a fully developed residential community, known for the abundance of its trees and the civic spirit of some 10,000 persons who live there.

This car is named in honor of Fanwood, one of more than 300 communities whose residents travel on the Port Authority Trans-Hudson interstate rail transit system."

Mayor Trumpp was ac-

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**Sssh! They're erasing tapes in Scotch Plains**

Scotch Plains Council members jokingly eluded to the Nixon era on Tuesday, as the Council members voted to "erase the tapes." Theirs is not a cover-up, but an economy move. The Council will keep tapes of regular Township Council meetings for a year, then the tapes will be erased and reused. Typed minutes of the meetings serve as a back-up for the tapes, and these will be kept on file permanently.

"I'd like to make one thing perfectly clear..." Councilman James Flinn joked, as the tape erasure vote was about to be taken. His gestures aped former President Nixon. There were also humorous warnings to township employees to utilize utmost discretion in what they erased.

In another economy effort, Flinn suggested repair of the 100-gallon sprayer used by

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