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CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE FOR CHILDREN

On Saturday, Dec. 1, the Fanwood Junior Woman's Club will sponsor a day of shopping exclusively for children under 16. It will be held at the Fanwood Train Station from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M.

All proceeds will be donated to local charities. Mrs. Nancy Orchy, Chairwoman of the Boutique reports that hundreds of items will be available for the young shoppers to choose. Some of the items are small decoupage plaques, Christmas wreath pins, coasters, a variety of ornaments, and many more for each member of the family. We even have dog munchies and cat toys for your four-legged friends.

Santa will be with us during the morning so bring your camera. Junior "elves" will be circulating to help small shoppers make their holiday selections.

Coffee and cake will be on sale for Mon or Dad as they wait for their little shoppers.

Hope we see you on December 1.

THE TEEN-AGE LAMENT:

... "But everyone's doing it! Why can't I?"

... "You're too overprotective!"

... "You'll never let me grow up!"

... "You treat me like a baby!"

DO YOU THINK YOU'RE THE ONLY PARENT WHO SAYS:

... "No, you can't!"

COME - LEARN - SHARE

... It's OK
... To say, "No!"
... To ask, "When?
Where? With Whom?"

WORKSHOP - DISCUSSION GROUP WRITTEN TEEN-AGE GUIDELINES

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FINAL LEAF ROUNDUP

The final Fanwood leaf collection for 1979 will start on Monday, December 3. All leaves must be at curbside by Monday for collection.

MAKE CALICO TREE & WREATH

Learn how to make a Calico Braided Wreath and a Calico Christmas Tree at the Scotch Plains Public Library on Wednesday afternoon, December 5, from 1:00 to 2:30 P.M. It's time to start making your holiday decorations and Miss Nancy Lawrey, Library Staff Member, will demonstrate how to make these two beautiful items. Directions will be distributed and everyone is welcome to attend this free program.

On Saturday, December 1, children are invited to an interesting program entitled "Christmas Around the World" sponsored by I.Y.C. Committee of Scotch Plains Jr. Woman's Club. Films, traditions and symbols of countries around the world will be shown from 10:00 to 11:30 A.M. Please sign up at the Children's Room desk in the Library.

If you have some free time and enjoy playing Chess, there is a Senior Citizen's Chess Club which meets every Monday at the Library from 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Just drop in any Monday.

During December the Library will have a display of First Day Covers of Christmas postage stamps from the United States, England and Samoa. Mrs. Laura Miller of Scotch Plains is the owner of this fine collection.

SANTA'S COMING TO TOWN

The Christmas season is official for kids, with the arrival of the famous red-suited gentleman on Saturday, December 8. Santa debuts at 8:45 A.M., traveling aboard a bright red fire truck.

He'll tour down Second Street to Park Avenue, reaching the Scotch Plains Municipal Building at 9 A.M. There he will be greeted by Jaycee President Paul Wessel and members of the Scotch Plains Recreation Commission.

Santa Claus will greet all children on the steps of Township Hall, while carolers sing traditional Christmas songs. Mr. Claus will be in the Council Chambers until 12 noon to visit each child. Each small visitor will receive candy, cookies and hot chocolate, served by the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Jaycees.

Santa's Visit is sponsored by the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Jaycees in cooperation with the Scotch Plains recreation Commission.

DUMPSTER SERVICE ENDS

December 1st is the last Saturday for the Dumpster Container Service at Plainfield Avenue site in Scotch Plains, open 8:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. Service will resume in the spring, watch local newspapers for an announcement.

S.P. Manager and Engine resign posts effective Jan 1

Scotch Plains Township Engineer Edward Bogan approached Township Manager James Hauser this week, to give him a bit of significant news. As Bogan began to tell Hauser he planned to resign, an amazed Hauser responded, "But you can't...I turned my resignation in to Council last night!" Coincidentally, the two men made new career choices independent of one another, and two major slots in the Scotch Plains Municipal Building will be vacated.

Hauser, who has served Scotch Plains as Township Manager for five years, will assume the duties of City Manager in Escanaba, Michigan on January 1. His reasons for resigning are primarily economic. Faced with approaching college tuitions, Hauser has sought a new area with a multitude of advantageous schools, a different quality of life, and outstanding public recreational and educational offerings. He feels city government will provide a broader range of opportunities.

Escanaba, located near the U.S. border to Ontario, Canada, will provide Hauser with an opportunity to return to city, rather than township, government. The city of Escanaba has a population of 16,000, but is the major business center for the entire

upper Michigan peninsula of 60,000 people. The city has its own sewer treatment, water treatment, and electrical utility facilities.

Reviewing his five years in Scotch Plains, Hauser said it has been an outstanding community which has been "very good to me." He's had two wonderful Councils with which to work, he notes. He points with pride to his successful recruitment of competent department heads and a generally stabilized tax rate over his years of service. Since

Hauser came here, major innovations have been made in Public Works equipment and performance, automation of the financial office and the initiation of automation of tax records.

Bogan said he's leaving for "bigger and better things." The Engineer, who's served Scotch Plains since September of 1975, has been offered a position as Executive Vice President for Community Engineers in Newark and as Chief Engineer of the parent company, Candeub-Fleissig

and Associates, Inc. The firm is a private large-scale planning firm, involved in both municipal and private planning.

Asked about his experiences in Scotch Plains municipal government, Bogan said he'd like to think he has done quite a bit in improving local planning and zoning and has at least paved the way for substantial flood control projects.

His resignation, like Hauser's, is effective January 2.

US in microcosm: TIMES staff on Iran

Yesterday, as the nation awaited a new position from President Carter on Iran, the small offices of *The Times* were a microcosm of the U.S. as a whole. The staff discussed Iran. How to get the hostages out? What course to pursue? Who should do what? The opinions were widely diversified.

Office "Hawk" was Publisher Donald Foster — the sole male in the raging office controversy. "I hope the President comes out tonight with a very, very strong statement on where we stand on this little country that can't remember World War II. Stop this nonsense and get

those people out of there," he said, referring to the hostages.

"That won't save the hostages. They'd be killed on the spot," ventured the Advertising Manager. She likened the situation to a bee on an elephant. "Eventually, the U.S. will have to do something."

In the view of Jeanette Preston, Carter has been handling the situation properly. In the Iranian situation, the U.S. is attempting to deal with barbarians and religious fanatics who don't understand diplomatic channels. The U.S. government shouldn't reduce itself

to the same level, but should continue to seek a diplomatic solution."

"The international incident is doing horrible things for American morale," Foster feels. "The U.S. could go in and, if need be, take over the tiny Iranian country in a matter of hours."

"Maybe the country is small...but so was Vietnam and look at the lives lost in involvement in that tiny country," ventured Lucy Brinew, of the art staff. "I don't see any solution, but I don't want to see war."

Not everyone agreed with taking a strong stand. Although it would end the situation in no time, some staffers were fearful of the consequences of a strong move.

"I would hope that the United Nations could do something," said Milida Ference. She also has hopes that Senator Hansen, acting on an independent basis, may be able to achieve some reasonable solution.

Mr. Foster posed another question, "What if you were one of the hostages? Would you want your country to come in and get you?" he parried.

"Well, I certainly would not wish to be a martyr..." was the response.

"As a major world power, the United States has the perfect opportunity to set an example in international diplomacy and should continue to seek such a solution," interjected Mrs. Preston.

Kathy Wolfe of the art staff has marched in peace marches during the Vietnam era. She sees a sticky situation, but "we played a waiting game with the Pueblo in the Korean situation, and we should wait it out again."

"I don't want to see anybody dying for anybody," Wolfe said. "I don't approve of what the Iranian are doing, I think

SPFHS students undertake tombstone registry project

"God's Acre," the historic burying ground adjoining the old Scotch Plains Baptist Church, is usually a study in monotones—the dull grays and browns of gravestones played against green tones of trees and shrubs. The historic little site came to life last Sunday, however, as over 60 local teenagers brought the color and spirit of youth to the cemetery. The bright colors of logo T-shirts, bandanas, windbreakers, and a couple of parked mopeds were bright spots. In addition to clothes and appurtenances of youth, the cemetery tombstones were as bright as the colors of a box of Crayolas.

In fact, Crayolas played a bit part Sunday, as the 60 members of the DECA (Distributive Education Club of America) from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High took their first step in a major community service undertaking—the documentation of historic old gravestones. The club members spent the afternoon making tombstone rubbings of all gravestones dating before 1850. To their surprise, there were over 200 such old stones. By mid-

afternoon, their gray and tan shades were swathed in wrappings of tracing paper, and their engravings showed up in the yellows, blues, reds

and greens of Crayola colors. Documenting the gravestones is but one facet of an extensive DECA under-

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Students make rubbing of old tombstone.

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