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FANWOOD FEATURED ON CHANNEL 13 JANUARY 29TH

Twenty of the state's 547 municipalities that have had some historical significance in the development of New Jersey will be highlighted in 30 second spots of narration and slides on thirteen during the month of January. The towns and cities chosen illustrate the diversity and beauty of the Garden State -- from farm towns to industrial centers - from seashore resorts to sophisticated suburban communities. The communities to be highlighted include: Avon, Bayonne, Clinton, Cranberry, Deal, Fanwood, Fort Lee, Hoboken, Ho-ho-kus, Holmdel, Little Falls, Metuchen, Millstone, Mountain Lakes, Mullica Hill, Sargentsville, Somerville, and Weehawken. The Fanwood segment will be shown January 29.

The "Scene in New Jersey" station breaks, beginning the project's third year in January, are seen each weekday evening during the broadcast of The New Jersey Nightly News at 6:30 p.m. and during its rebroadcast the following weekday morning at 7 a.m. on thirteen.

Project coordinator for the January series was Marian Daniels.

BOOSTERS "QUARTER DIP" SET FOR FEBRUARY 10TH

The annual "Quarter Dip" is set for Wednesday, February 10, from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. The "Quarter Dip" is sponsored by the Blue Raiders Athletic Boosters Club.

Booster President, Mrs. Marie Palumbo, invites everyone in the community to bring their family for a buffet meal at "economy rates". All food items are donated by parents of high school athletes. The cost is one

quarter for each "dip" of food that you take. Such things as coffee, soft drinks, desserts are also only one quarter.

"You can't beat it for an enjoyable evening out. Come as you are and enjoy a variety of foods at low cost," says Mrs. Palumbo. "This annual event was extremely popular last year, and we are looking for a busy evening on February 10."

YOU COULD SAVE SOMEONES LIFE

The Scotch Plains Rescue Squad and the Scotch Plains Junior Women's Club are sponsoring a CPR Course which is open to anyone in the community.

The course will be held on three consecutive Monday evenings beginning February 8, February 15 and February 22 at the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad Building on Bartle Avenue, Scotch Plains from 7:30 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. CPR will be taught by Lt. Ray DeMarco and is free, however a small fee will be charged to cover the cost of the material. The class is the Certified American Red Cross CPR Course and all participants, upon successful completion, will be Certified Basic Rescuers.

Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation is an easy procedure to learn and can save a life if used in time. Won't you please come and learn to save a life - it may be the life of someone you love! To register please call 889-2115 or 233-9562 by February 3.

THE SQUAD REPORTS

During the month of December, the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad responded to 94 calls. They included 10 cardiacs, 9 home accidents, 36 home illnesses, 8 public accidents, 6 public illnesses, 12 road accidents, 13 transportations, and 5 miscellaneous calls.

The rescue squad spent 280 man hours in service to the township.

During the past year, the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad responded to 1045 calls, spent over 3700 man hours in service, and travelled nearly 16,000 miles.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH

The Quick Chek Convenience Center is sponsoring a free blood pressure clinic on Friday, February 12th, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Quick Chek is located at 1928 Westfield Avenue in Scotch Plains. For additional information, call 322-2112.



VALENTINE'S DAY

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WILL SHE/HE BE YOUR VALENTINE?

Find out with a message in CUPID'S CORNER. Turn to Page 12 to see how you can get your message across in the February 11th Valentine issue of the Times.

Teachers present "Concern" to Board of Ed. members

by Liz Gautier

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association presented a "Statement of Concern" to the members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education at the board's regular meeting last Thursday, January 21. The "Statement", read by Louisa Connell, guidance counselor, was prompted by the posting of a new position. "Assistant Athletic Director/Head Football Coach" on the staff bulletin boards in the various schools in the district.

Several teachers from the district voiced their concerns over what they feared would be another "administrative" position. Schools Superintendent Dr. Robert Howlett assured the group that it was a teaching position, not administrative and that it carried a teaching salary.

The State of Concern read as follows:

I am speaking on behalf of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Education Association regarding concerns which are having a detrimental effect on staff morale. There are enough negatives to contend with now including: staff reductions; fixed budgets; limited classroom supplies; limited time for communication with people in other buildings, but we have been psychologically conditioned to accept these as a sign of the times. It is very disheartening as well to hear many of my colleagues reacting with comments like, "What's the use, no one listens," or "They

will be do what they want anyway, so why bother," and even some who have reached a level of, "If I ask too much or speak my mind too much, there will be repercussions." In essence, we see good people and good ideas disappearing.

We have accepted the losses and changes, and we are trying to work with and educate your children with what is left, and morale con-

tinues to ebb. With so many people and things to work with disappearing, why are we gaining strength in numbers at the administrative level? There have been seven new positions created, but the one most recently advertised, Assistant Athletic Director/Head Football Coach with the clause, "salary negotiable," is possibly the final straw. We lost two excellent part-time

athletic directors two years ago to: so-called efficiency, long-range planning, and administrative decision.

We have been conditioned to believe that there is no money. "No money" has directly affected student-teacher ratio; directly affected supplies for classroom use; directly affected programs, and directly affected coordinated efforts from

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School Board questioned regarding Shack lease

by Sheela Peace Zipern

What happens when angry residents appear at a Board of Education meeting and ask hard questions? Last Thursday at Terrill Middle School, Scotch Plains-Fanwood homeowners did just that. The topic? The lease and possible sale of the old Shackamaxon school and property to the JACY, (Jewish Association of Centers and Ys).

Resident Frank Festa opened the questioning by asking if the school board had any signed contracts for school buildings. Board of Education attorney, Casper Boehm, replied that a bid for Shackamaxon school was accepted October 15 and final contract executed on January 8. It took effect January 15.

Festa expressed concern over what he felt is New Jersey's increasing birth rate and asked that recently closed

schools be available for re-opening to meet the potential demand. "Perhaps we can use one of these buildings to bring back out-of-district placements", he suggested. "Please let the school board education, as they make decisions, think of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains taxpayer," Festa remarked.

Joseph DiRienzo, a Fanwood resident, asked if there had been an appraisal of the property's fair market value. When informed that there had been an appraisal, DiRienzo asked for that figure. He was told, "That's not public knowledge at this point." Board member Louis Festa remarked.

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United Way exceeds fund drive goal 25%

The 1982 Annual Meeting of the United Way of Scotch Plains was held Tuesday, January 19, 1982, in the community room of the Scotch Plains Library. The meeting was highlighted by the announcement that the current fund drive exceeded the \$60,000 goal with total receipts of \$63,304. Increased effort in all sections of the campaign contributed to this outstanding result. Thanks

are extended to all who have contributed to the United Way.

Campaign chairman Bill Barry gave the all-important campaign results. The total, which is a new high for the local United Way, included a resounding 25% increase in local giving at a time when this effort is more important than ever. Barry reported \$15,788 for residential donors

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Student mother managing her responsibilities well

by Sheela Peace Zipern
During January, the Times has been talking with working mothers for a better understanding of how these capable women juggle their responsibilities. We have been reminded throughout that-the-road is difficult but the rewards, they believe, are worth the effort.

Ann Saltzman of Fanwood, has a Fellowship from CUNY's Graduate center to work toward her doctorate in Social Personality Psychology. The mother of Dori, 9½ and Jody, 8, Ann thinks student mothers are often easily distracted. "I see that I live in two worlds. In one I'm intensely involved trying to understand work related issues, and it's opposed to the kind of thinking I must do as a mother - being there to watch and support the children."

She explained that her husband is very supportive, tries to help around the house and

spends a lot of time with their children. "When I first went into the program it was difficult for the family because it required us to shift our roles and my husband to assume more responsibility. He's just as excited about my work as I am," Ann related.

Mrs. Saltzman stated that she has flexibility. She works three days and Dori and Jody are enrolled in the Latch Key program at the "Y" after school. On her days off, she volunteers in the school library and her daughters can come home for lunch.

Ann pointed out that her children would prefer her to be home and be a full-time mother. "They've adjusted because it's something I want to do. In the long run they'll benefit by it, but they've had some resistance," she remarked.

As part of Ann's research for her doctorate, she is involved in the Mother's Center

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Thanks to Scotty MacThistle and his creator, Frank Thorne, and all the people who gave, the United Way Fund Drive went over the top.