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## "DAVID OF SESAME STREET" TO APPEAR AT HIGH SCHOOL

Young People's Theatre will present "David of Sesame Street" this Saturday, February 6th, at 2:30 p.m. at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School.

Northern J. Calloway (David) sings songs, tells delightful stories and encourages his young audience to participate in the fun. Don't miss David live on our stage!

A limited number of tickets remaining from our advance sale will be sold at the door at \$2 per child or adult. For ticket information call Maureen Mawby, Chairperson, at 889-1915.

## SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL LIONS

Pancake breakfast on Sunday, Feb. 7  
8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Hershey's Delicatessen Banquet Room  
1800 E. 2nd Street, Scotch Plains  
Tickets at door: Donation \$3  
Children under 6 FREE

## GIVE BLOOD - BE A BLOOD BUDDY

Blood Drive (North Jersey Blood Center)  
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church  
Auditorium  
Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains  
Sunday, Feb. 7th - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Ages 18 yrs. - 66 yrs.



## VALENTINE'S DAY

FEB. 14

Your Valentine message can be delivered in The Times for only \$3. Remember it's low calorie and completely fat-free. See page for details.

## SPECIAL MEETING

Scotch Plains Township Council  
Tues., Feb. 9, 8:30 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
Scotch Plains

## PHILLIPS APPOINTED TO SHADE TREE COMMISSION



Earl Phillips was sworn in Calahan, as a member of the Fanwood Earl, a retired Sergeant on Shade Tree Commission on the Fanwood Police Department, January 27th, 1982 by Deputy Borough Clerk Jeanette Poplar Place, Fanwood, N.J.

# Property owners drop flag on Board for illegal procedures

by Sheela Peace Zipern

In the continuing saga of Shackamax School, the Township Council deferred their decision on zoning until next Tuesday, February 9. In spite of heavy rain, council chambers had standing room only.

Attorney Joseph DiRienzo, representing the South Side Homeowners Association, informed council members and a heavy resident turnout, it was the Association's position that Shackamax School was leased illegally and plans to bring suit.

The old Shackamax School on 11 acres on Martine Avenue went up for bids last October. As there was only one offer, on October 15 the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education entered into a lease agreement with the Jewish Association of Centers and Y's of Central New Jersey (JACY). The rental will be \$40,000 the first year and \$50,000 the second year with an option to buy the property for \$450,000 at the end of the lease period. JACY officially became responsible for rent payments January 15 despite the outcry from nearby residents.

Those attending were told that the Education recommended to the Planning

Board that the property be re-zoned from a "P" (public) to an R-2 zone. In turn the Planning Board passed their resolution to the Town Council on January 20.

Alan Schnirman, filling in for JACY attorney Harry

Bernstein, urged that since the Planning Board had recommended the property be re-zoned for an R-2 use, the Council should take immediate action. Because of utility, heating, maintenance and rental costs, "time is of

the essence," he stated. Mr. Schnirman introduced Penny Margules, Executive Director of JACY who also urged the Township Council to take action on the ordinance as quickly as possible.

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# DECA students participate in S.P. local government



DECA is shown participating with Scotch Plains Township Council at a Public Meeting during their Youth in Government project. Pictured from left to right Councilman B. Lawrence Newcomb, DECA member Dana Brockett, Councilman Alan Augustine, DECA President, Christine Longo, Mayor James Flinn, DECA member Al Fischer, Councilman Philip Schick and Councilwoman Alice Agran.

# Tri-County Radio Assn. presents radio books



Anthony Ploski, president of the Tri-County Radio Association presents a set of books to Judy Yankeilun, Reference Librarian at Scotch Plains Public Library.

by Claire Martin

The Tri-County Radio Association has presented the Scotch Plains Library with a complete set of publications from the American Radio Relay League. The 20 books cover all aspects of amateur radio, and are for the use of association members, as well as for other interested patrons of the library.

The Tri-County Radio Association, includes 150 men and women, from Middlesex, Union, and Somerset counties, ranging in age from

their mid-teens to well into the 80's. The members find amateur radio an enjoyable hobby, which combines an interest in electronics with an interest in people. Some enjoy long distance communication with amateurs in other countries, known as "DXing." They keep track of how many of the more than 300 countries they can "work." Others take part in local HAM projects, such as helping communication during walkathons, or

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The Scotch Plains Township and the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Chapter of the Distributive Education Clubs of America collaborated on a Youth in Government Day, when DECA students worked along side Council members learning how a local government is managed and run. Each student had a counterpart on the Council, and at the Planning Session learned about some of the problems and laws confronting local governments. At the Public Meeting, DECA students took part in the Agenda by

reading resolutions and voting on bills. They gained the experience of running a formal Township meeting. Participants in the project were DECA President, 'Mayor' Christine Longo, who worked with Scotch Plains Mayor James Flinn; DECA 'Council members' Linda Brilinski, Dana Brockett, Al Fischer, and Mike Green working with Scotch Plains Council members B. Lawrence Newcomb, Alan Augustine, Philip Schick and Alice Agran; DECA 'Township

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# Osaka Gas Co. guests at Home Energy Cons. office



Warming themselves before a wood stove fire are, back row, Stephen Cook, manager of Home Energy, Hideki Yuara, Gary Elbert; front row, Akira Narumiya, Charlotte Elbert, Vice president of Home Energy.

by Liz Gautier

The Home Energy Conservation officers and employees played host to a trio of Japanese business men on

Friday, January 29. The visitors, management and technical personnel from the Osaka Gas Company, Ltd., Please turn to page 17