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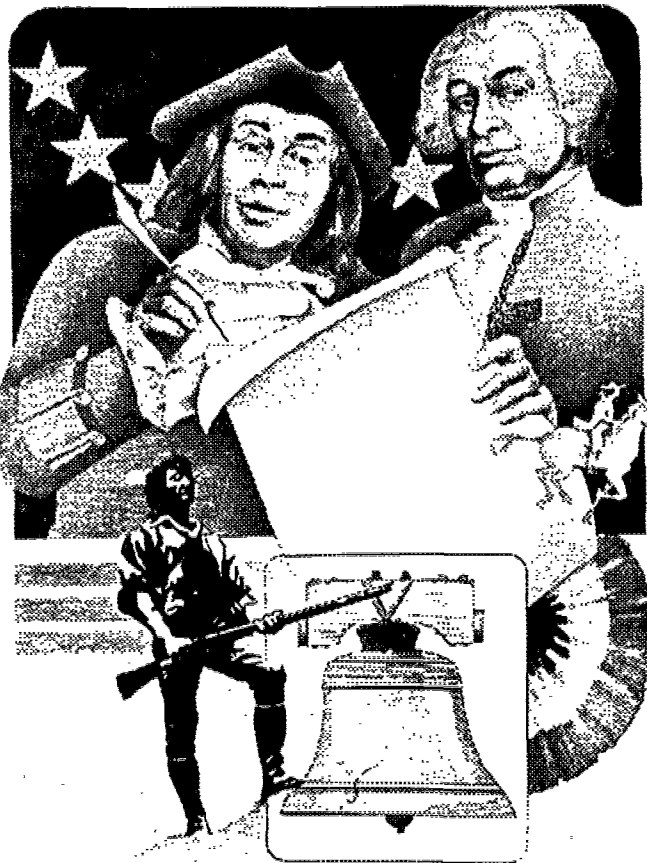
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## INDEPENDENCE DAY JULY 4, 1983



### The Fourth of July

"...this great anniversary festival ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of the country to the other, from this time forever more."

—John Adams to Abigail Adams  
July 3, 1776

### ARE YOU WATCHING YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD? IF NOT, IT'S YOUR LOSS!

Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held at the Community House, Fanwood, Wednesday, July 6, 8 p.m.

Come and learn how you can protect your home and neighborhood against burglars, vandals, etc. The Scotch Plains and Fanwood Police Departments tell it like it is. They pull no punches.

Your best protection is yourself and your neighbors. Come and find out why.

### MUSIC ON THE VILLAGE GREEN TONIGHT!

JUNE 30, 8 P.M.

SUMMER CONCERT BAND  
Vincent Turturiello, Director  
Bring lawn chairs or blankets  
Rain location:

Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School

Next week; July 7:

GLAD RAGS Ragtime Band

### COPY DEADLINE FOR JULY 7 ISSUE OF THE TIMES MOVED UP

Because of the 4th of July holiday, the copy deadline for the July 7 issue of THE TIMES will be Friday, July 2, 5 p.m.



## Fanwood homeowners irate over curbing assessments

by Liz Gautier

It may have been cool outside, but the temperature inside Fanwood's Borough Hall heated up considerably as approximately 40 homeowners braved the pouring rain to attend the Assessment Commission's public hearing Tuesday night.

The meeting was called to discuss with property owners improvements that the borough has made which will be assessed against their property. Many of the residents complained to Assessment Chairman George Weiss that they had not been properly notified by the borough that the Belgian block curbing construction was to take place. Weiss stated that a legal notice in THE TIMES was all that was required under state laws although he admitted that "nobody reads the legals".

Peter Bernotas, whose property is at N. Martine Ave. and Paterson Road, told the Commission, "I'm sorry

I am a member of the Fanwood community the way the council and engineer have handled the curbing of my property." He complained that the Belgian block

"is not put in properly...you can kick the stones over. In our entrance to Borough Hall they're falling out, too."

Bernotas said his

ing was replaced by "raw fill and red clay with a few seeds sprinkled over. You should see what's

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## Awesome team project recognized by legislators



Left to right, Nichole Darrell, Abbey Maloney, Senator Don DiFrancesco, Carolyn Sjonell, Craig Hafer and teacher/facilitator Carol Checchine in Trenton.

In the fall of 1981, young people involved in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Leadership Conference made an important commitment.

Eight students on the "Awesome" team under the guidance of teacher facilitator Carol Cecchine, began plans for a Scotch Plains community bulletin board. For the last twenty-one months, these students have worked with local organizations, merchants, and the community to see their plan realized.

The students' goal was the erection of a

permanent bulletin board to assist with announcements of community events and serve as a recognition to war veterans, particularly Vietnam veterans.

Ground-breaking took place on Scotch Plains Day, October 9, 1982 in anticipation of the completed board in the spring. High school students proceeded to raise funds for con-

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## Eagle Scout Kramps honored by Troop 33



On Monday evening, June 13, Boy Scout Troop 33 of Fanwood

convened an Eagle Scout Court of Honor at

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## Enjoy the fourth - but not with a fifth Newcomb's Notes

Next weekend marks the 207th birthday of the United States of America. The highlight of that celebration in this area will be the annual Central Jersey 4th of July Parade to be held Monday morning in Plainfield and North Plainfield. As I have every year since you first elected me to Scotch Plains Town Council, I will participate in that parade as an elected official of Scotch Plains. Monday, as I go down Front St. in Plainfield and then

turn up Somerset St. to the reviewing stand in North Plainfield, I hope I will see a great many of you along the parade route.

On the 4th I also hope as many of you as can will honor our founding fathers by displaying the national colors that day. It was really a thrill to drive down the street and see literally hundreds of flags as we did in many parts of Scotch Plains on Memorial Day.

The 4th of July  
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