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## DECA'S ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE MOST SUCCESSFUL EVER



The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Chapter of the Distributive Clubs of America sponsored its 10th annual food drive for the holiday season. DECA's most successful drive ever resulted in 38 turkeys and 25 complete food baskets which included a turkey and all the trimmings, staple items such as eggs, bread, rice, fruits and vegetables.

Working with Father John L. Doherty of St. Bartholomew's Church in Scotch Plains, DECA delivered the baskets to needy families in the area in time for the start of the holiday season. Foods were collected at the A & P in Fanwood and the Pathmark in Watchung.

Pictured above are DECA students (left to right) packing the Food Baskets; Sue Morris, John Caricato, John Aversa, Larry Schock, Chris Aversa, Pam Callender and Michele Dupuy.

## LAST CALL FOR LEAF PICK-UP IN SCOTCH PLAINS

The Scotch Plains DPW is starting the last trip around town to pick up leaves. Please have all leaves curbside, either in windrows or bags. The crews are working both sides of town and hope to be finished by December 15th.

## TAKE A PICTURE WITH SANTA

The Scotch Plains Business Association (SPBA) is sponsoring a visit by Santa Claus at the Stage House Village on Saturday, December 10 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Santa is making this Saturday visit to pose with children for a professional 4 x 5 color photo. Reflections Studio will do the honors for only \$5. (Hey...what a great gift for Grandma and Grandpa...both sets.)

## JAYCEES ANNUAL TOYS FOR TOTS PROGRAM

The Fanwood-Scotch Plains Jaycees are requesting donations for new and used toys in good condition for their Annual Toys For Tots Program. The toys will be distributed to needy children throughout the area during the Holiday Season.

Donations will be accepted at the Jaycee Recycling Center, located at the south side parking lot of the Fanwood Train Station, between the hours of 9:00 am and 12:00 noon on December 17. Project chairman Ken Vincent suggests, "Drop off your donation of toys along with your recyclable newspapers and glass, and support both projects." Contact Ken Vincent at 889-5878 for any further information.

## SHOPPING

FOR FANTASTIC GIFT SELECTIONS  
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# PBA files law suit against Scotch Plains governing body

The Scotch Plains Police Benevolent Association (PBA) Local #87, has charged the Mayor, Council and Township Manager with unfair labor practices and has filed suit with the Public Employees Relations Commission (PERC), a State of New Jersey Div. of Labor agency

dealing solely with mediation of public employee disputes.

PBA President Richard Migliorato and John Barich, PBA Local #87 state delegate, issued a joint statement wherein they outlined the local chapter members' objections to the addition of an oral test for the

men who had already passed a civil service test for sergeant and Associates of Pennsylvania who administered the oral tests, that the use of an out-

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## Newcomb's Notes

### Will My Taxes Go Up?

This past week the new assessment value assessment firm, Certified Valuations, Inc., will be and that it represents 100% of their estimate of the fair market value of your property, they cannot tell you what your 1984 tax rate will be. It also explains what to do if you do not agree with Certified Valuations as to what the "fair market value" of your property is. What their letter does not explain is how the tax payments for your property might change

While the Certified Valuations' letter explains clearly what your

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## Tiny Tim Night December 15

Thursday, December 15, has been proclaimed Tiny Tim Day throughout Scotch Plains and Fanwood by Mayors Lawrence Newcomb and Theodore Trumpp.

That evening, strains of "Jingle Bells", "Joy to the World", and even "The Dreidel Song" will resound through the streets of the two communities, sung by numerous groups of Jaycees and Jaycees holiday carollers, seeking donations for needy children's medical expenses.

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The DECA Sings Plus One rehearse for Tiny Tim Carol Night, scheduled for Thursday, December 15. Members of the high school chapter of Distributive Education Club of America are one of many groups which will be carolling.

## Lutheran Lucia Fest set for Sunday, December 11



CHRISTINA WINEY

Blaklockan Scandinavian Children's Club will present its Annual Lucia Fest on Sunday, December 11, at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Plainfield. Christina Winey of Fanwood, who has been a member for eight years, will be this year's Lucia.

The Lucia is a Swedish tradition on the shortest day of the year in which the oldest daughter of the family dresses in a long white robe with a red sash and a crown of candles on her head and serves coffee and cakes to her

parents. A folk dance exhibition with the children dressed in authentic colorful costumes of the Scandinavian countries will follow. Local children who will be featured are Michael and Mark Winey and Andrea and Frances Bondebey, all of Fanwood.

The program begins at 5 pm and will include a Scandinavian supper. Tickets are available from Ann Sabbagh 233-7924 Linnea Tornqvist 322-5772. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for children ages 3-12.