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## FANWOOD REORGANIZATION MEETING SET FOR JAN. 1

The Annual Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood will take place on Sunday, January 1 at 1:30 P.M. at the Borough Hall, 75 North Martine Avenue, Fanwood,

The agenda will include the swearing in of Mayor - Patricia M. Kuran, Councilman - David W. Pickering and Councilwoman - Barbara J. Swindlehurst.

Various appointments of Borough officials and members of Boards and Commissions will be announced.

Following the Reorganization Meeting, Mayor Kuran, Councilman Pickering and Councilwoman Swindlehurst will hold an open house at the Fanwood Railroad Station Community House from 2:30 to 5 p.m.

## HOLIDAY BLOOD DRIVE SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 5TH

To help curtail the blood shortage the Plainfield Area Chapter of the American Red Cross will hold a blood drive Thursday, January 5, 2 PM to 7:30 PM at Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, 1961 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains.

If you are in good health, weigh at least 110 pounds and are from the ages of 17 to your 66th birthday (17 year olds need proof of age and written permission from parent or guardian) you are an eligible donor.

Please call Ann Henry - Plainfield Red Cross 756-6414, ext. 11 for information or an appointment.

## DECA students learn ins & outs of township government

The Scotch Plains Township Council and the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Chapter of the Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) collaborated on a Youth in Government Day for the 9th consecutive year. High School DECA students worked along side Council members learning how a local government is managed. Each student had a counterpart on the Council during the Public Meeting and at the Planning Session where the students learned about some of the problems and laws confronting local governments.

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DECA is shown participating with the Scotch Plains Township Council at a Public Meeting. Pictured from left to right are Eric Slaten, Councilwoman Joan Papan, Michele Dupuy, Councilman Alan Augustine, 'DECA Mayor' John Aversa, Mayor Lawrence Newcomb, Frank Carvalho, Councilwoman Irene Schmidt, Lisa Vitale and Councilman Gabriel Spera.

## Run-for-UNICEF nets fund \$2,000

Cindy Shoemaker, special education teacher at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, instituted the

Run-for-UNICEF in 1982. This year's run held the end of November has earned just under \$2,000 for the fund.

Co-sponsor John Paterson announced that an additional \$229 was sent to UNICEF, plus the \$1,700 earned by

the runners initially. The funds will be directed toward the Somalian refugee camp in E. Africa.

# HAPPY NEW YEAR



## U.C. awarded funds for emergency food & shelter

Union County has been chosen to receive \$124,545 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the area.

The selection was made by the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board, made up of national voluntary organizations and chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The board was charged to distribute \$40 million

appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country. United Way of America will function as the administrative staff and fiscal agent.

The Emergency Food and Shelter Local Board is chaired by Barbara Brande, Executive Director Catholic Community Services, and consists of representatives from the human service community.

They will determine how the funds awarded to Union County are distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by private voluntary organizations in the area.

Local non-profit organizations with voluntary boards that have an accounting system, conduct an annual audit, practice non-discrimination and have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and shelter programs are urged to apply for funds.

All applicants for the funds must submit their proposals no later than 4:30 PM, Tuesday, Jan. 3rd to the United Way of Union County at 33 West Grand St., Elizabeth. Further information on the program

may be obtained by contacting Bruce Moehler, United Way of Union County, at 353-7171.

## Know your limit, says AAA

"The holidays are a time to spend with friends and family," states Matthew J. Derham, president of the AAA New Jersey Automobile Club. "Don't let this joyous season be marred by the senseless tragedy associated with drunk driving. Know your limit - and stick to it." To gauge how much you can safely drink when you must drive, AAA suggests you consult the chart below:

| WEIGHT | (DRINKS PER 2-HOUR PERIOD) |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |
|--------|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
|        | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 100    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 120    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 140    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 160    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 180    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 200    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 220    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 240    | 1                          | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |

  

| BAC - Blood Alcohol Content | YOU'RE PLAYING IT SAFE                  | JUDGEMENT IMPAIRED                          | DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED (DWI)  |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|
|                             | Your blood alcohol level is below 0.05% | Thinking and reasoning powers are not clear | BAC = .10% & Above<br>First DWI Conviction:<br>• 6 months to 1 year license revocation<br>• \$250 - \$400 fine<br>• 0-30 days in jail<br>• Any combination of above penalties may be imposed |

You don't have to be in an accident to be hurt when you drive drunk. Holiday road blocks and routine spot checks will increase the number of drunk driving arrests this holiday. Once convicted, a first-time offender faces 6 months to 1 year license revocation, fines and/or jail.

"Knowing your limit is essential to responsible driving," concludes Derham. "And, because you can't control the behavior of other drivers, remember to wear your safety belts at all times. It's one of the best defenses you have against a drunk driver."