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REMEMBER TO VOTE ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4!

At their March 22 meeting, members of the Budget Steering Committee of Scotch Plains-Fanwood Public Schools called for community residents to become informed about the proposed school district budget and to cast their votes on Tuesday, April 4. The committee wishes to remind the public that polling locations will be open from 2 to 9 p.m. on that day.

Composed of various representatives from PTA's, the YMCA, senior citizen organizations, the local Ministerium, the Board of Education, and school district staff, the Budget Steering Committee has conducted three meetings thus far to develop understanding of and to provide information about the 1989-1990 budget. The group will next meet on April 26, when it will begin to examine the budget-building process for 1990-1991.

Any Scotch Plains or Fanwood residents needing information about next year's proposed school budget or about polling sites for Tuesday's election are invited to call 232-6161, ext. 42.

FREE COUNSELING TO SENIORS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

The Scotch Plains Public Library is offering a Senior Health Insurance Counseling program coordinated by the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of Union County.

The Senior Health Insurance Program (SHIP) can help senior citizens and family members acting on their behalf, to fill out health insurance and Medicare claims and advise on the type of insurance coverages available to supplement Medicare.

Seniors can call the Scotch Plains Library, 1911 Bartle Ave., Scotch Plains at 322-5007 to make an appointment with a SHIP insurance counselor.

Counselors are available for appointment on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Counselors are certified by the Union County Division on Aging and have received training to answer health insurance questions.

EVERGREEN SCHOOL HOLDS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Registration forms for children entering kindergarten in September, 1989 are available in the Evergreen School Office.

These forms are to be completed in time for kindergarten registration which is scheduled for the following dates and times: April 4, 5, & 6 -10:00-11:00 a.m. and 2:00-3:00 p.m.

To be eligible for admission to kindergarten in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Regional Schools in September, 1989, your child must become five years of age prior to December 1, 1989.

LIONS CLUB HOLDS FLEA MARKET

The Scotch Plains Lions Club will hold a Flea Market at the Fanwood Station on Saturday, April 8, 1989, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Lions will have a food stand and cake sale and vendors will have a wide variety of products.

Profits from sales will go to the club's Sight Conservation and Community Betterment Funds.

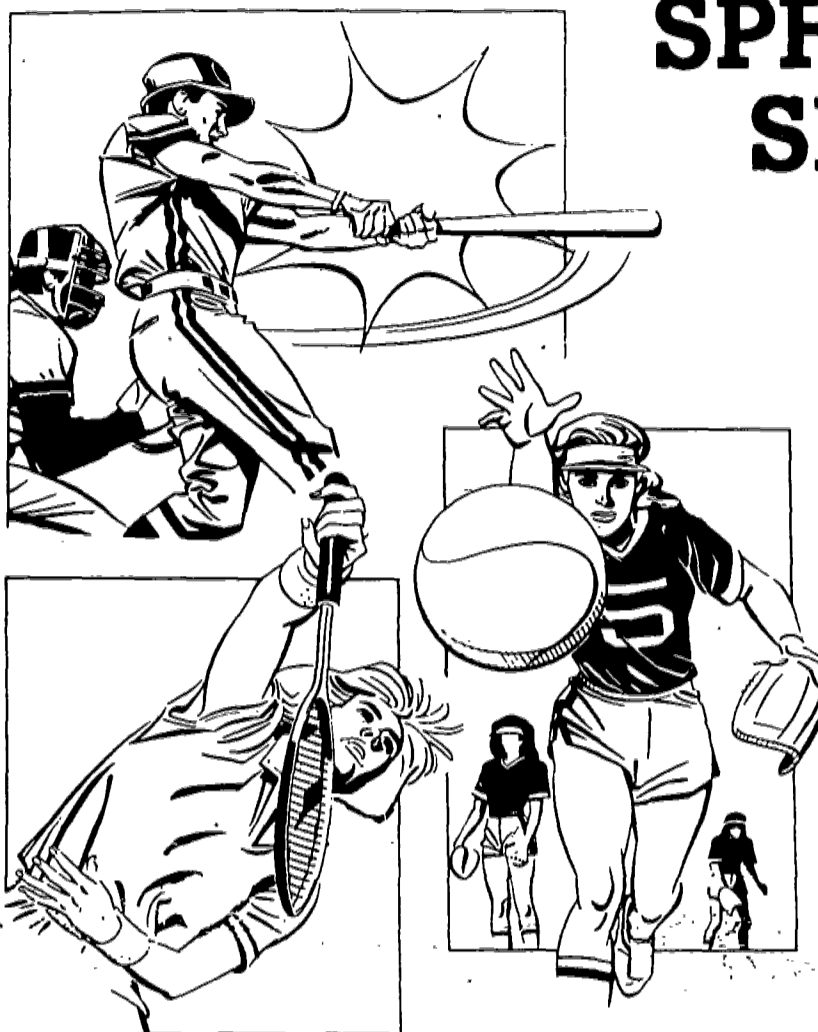
For further information call (201) 233-4039.

AARP OFFERS FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION SERVICE

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) is offering free Income Tax preparation and counseling to senior citizens and low income persons, by appointment at the following locations:

Scotch Plains Library, 1911 Bartle Ave., 322-5007
Westfield Community Center, 558 W. Broad St., 232-4759

Westfield YMCA, Clark St. Entrance, 233-2700 Ext. 13.



SPRING SPORTS PREVIEW

by Roy Gutterman

The Raider athletic teams are prepared for the spring season. Many of the athletes have been training in the off-season awaiting the opening day whistles. The cheers of the crowd are just around the corner.

Varsity Baseball

The 1989 varsity baseball team will be looking to repeat its past success under new coach Brian Homm. Last year they compiled a record of 19 wins and 9 losses while winning the North Jersey Section 2 Group 3 State Championship.

This season's team has proven successful in its pre-season matchups by defeating Bound Brook 7-1, Roselle Park 8-3, Ridge by the score of 6-5 and tying Somerville 5-5.

Returning to the diamond this year will be seniors Jeff Hammonds, Jeff O'Connor and John Wien, along with Bill Rand, John Illis, Tod Kaiser as well as junior Mike Butz and sophomores Erik Micalison and Pat Hamilton.

Coach Homm said, "I'm looking forward to the season. We have a good bunch of Please turn to page 10

PTA hosts Bd. of Ed. Candidates Night

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA Council will host a Board of Education Candidates Night on Thursday, March 30 at 8:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of Evergreen School, Evergreen Ave. in Scotch Plains.

Four candidates are running for two seats in Scotch Plains: Kirk Rhodes, Alfred Rees, Roland Marionni and Albert Syvertsen. In Fanwood, there are two candidates for one seat: James Grover and Leonia Reilly (incumbent).

Under the program format, candidates will introduce themselves and their reasons for running for the board, respond to two questions posed by PTA Council, and field open questions from the public.

All the candidates have been asked to answer the following questions:

1. If you could add, change or delete any district policy, what would it be and why?

2. In formulating next year's budget, specifically how would you re-allocate current funds to reflect your own priorities?

Mrs. Margaret Walker, president of the Westfield Area League of Women Voters, will serve as moderator for the evening.

Candidates Night provides an opportunity for the voters of Scotch Plains and Fanwood to see and assess all school board candidates together. All

residents are invited to attend this important event to hear and question potential members of the Board of Education.

M E R C H A N T

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Fowler's Garden Center

David S. Fowler Sr. began his business in 1959 with a lawnmower in the trunk of his car and the determination to work hard and do the best job that could be done. He did not have a rake to clean up the grass clippings and that bothered him so getting that rake became his first equipment priority. He acquired two lawn care jobs which guaranteed

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