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Governor signs "Fanwood Bill"

Signalling an end, or perhaps just a hiatus, in a controversy which has caught the attention of municipalities throughout New Jersey, Governor Thomas Kean signed S-3342/A-3822 into law on August 3rd. The new statute serves as an amendment to the Fair Housing Act of 1985 and prevents developers from destroying sound housing on lots of 2 acres or less for the purpose of increasing density by including a 20% set-aside for low and moderate income families.

The bill was introduced into the state Senate early this spring by Senator John Lynch with the cooperation of Senator

Donald DiFrancesco. Although delayed in committee initially, Bill S-3342 received only one negative vote when brought to the floor of the Senate.

The Assembly counterpart of the bill, popularly known as the "Fanwood Bill", was introduced by Assemblywoman Maureen Ogden. Assembly Bill A-3822 was also held up in committee while proponents from the Borough of Fanwood and attorneys for the developers pressed their arguments before the Assembly Housing Committee. When the bill finally reached the floor of the Assembly it passed by a vote of 57 to 14.

The developer's pro-

posal would have built 60 new housing units in the Borough with 20%, or 12 units, set aside for low and moderate income families and the remaining 48 units to be market-priced. The governing body of Fanwood had filed a housing plan with the N.J. Council on Affordable Housing in January 1987 asking for a reduction of their assigned number from 87 to 0 on the grounds that they were a fully developed community. Before COAH could rule on Fanwood's request, Attorneys Robert Kraus and Joseph Murray filed suit to force consideration of their clients' offer to build on three sites scattered throughout

the Borough. Two of the sites contained single family houses which the

developers proposed to raze in order to construct attached housing at a

higher density.

The battle which Please turn to page 16

Banjo Ragtimers to perform at Village Green Block Party



RAGTIMERS DIXIELAND JAZZ BAND

Ken Salvo and his Banjo Ragtimers Dixieland Jazz Band will bring the sounds of New Orleans Dixieland Jazz to the Scotch Plains Village Green block party. In honor of the 200th anniversary of George Washington's inauguration, the party will be held on Park Avenue, Scotch Plains on Thursday, August 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Joan Papan, Mayor of Scotch Plains, will read an official proclamation and local merchants and organizations will participate in the festivities.

Bringing food and fun to the party are John's Meat Market, Scotch Plains Kiwanis Club, Scotch Plains Players, Scotch Plains Art Association, Scotch Plains-Fanwood Girl Scouts, Bowcraft, This 'n That, the Xmas Craft Table, and the local Jaycees.

Members of the Banjo Ragtimers have played with the Dukes of Dixieland, the Red Garter

Banjo Band and the Village Stompers. They have performed on jazz radio stations, in concerts around the country and on USO tours abroad. Ragtimers' musicians have also been featured at many jazz festivals, including the Bix Biederbecke Memorial Jazz Festival in Davenport, the Big Horn Jazz Festival in Chicago and the JVC Jazz Festival in Waterloo.

Former exchange student returns "home" for visit



Left to right Leslie Berghahn, Walt Berghahn and Paivi Lindgren Karjalainen.

Paivi Lindgren Karjalainen recently visited her former American Field Service (AFS) host parents, Walt and Martha Berghahn. Paivi attended Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School in 1972-1973 as an AFS student from

Finland.

Paivi attended the 80th Special Libraries Association Conference in New York in June. This was in relation to her position as Manager of Information Services at Kone, a Finnish company which

manufactures elevators, cranes and clinical analyzers. Paivi has four people working for her, gathering information about products and other companies. They use database to locate information for employees so they can conduct their own research.

A graduate from Helsinki University in 1981 with an MS in Engineering, Paivi currently lives in Espoo about five miles from Helsinki. Paivi is married and has two children, Henna, 11 years old and Sampo, 7 years old. Her husband, Jarmo, is a Marketing Director for a subsidiary of Asea Brown Boveri.

200 Club Scholarship Fund largest in Union County

Over the past 20 years of the 200 Club of Union County's existence, the organization has awarded more than 110 scholarships totalling over \$330,955.21 as of June 1989.

Scholarships are available to police and firefighters in Union County, and their dependents. There are three different scholarships available: The Memorial Scholarships for dependents of police and firefighters killed in

the line of duty, the Grant for Continuing Education available to police and firefighters wishing to further their education in their profession and The Scholarship for Academic Excellence which provides grants to deserving and exceptional students who are dependents of police and firefighters.

The 200 Club marked a milestone with the recent graduation of Susan Gleason from the University of Scranton. She is the

daughter of John Gleason, a Plainfield police officer killed in the line of duty in 1967. Ms. Gleason was two years old at the time. It was one year later that the 200 Club was formed by 10 concerned businessmen. Four years ago, the 200 Club took up Ms. Gleason's plight and awarded a full tuition grant for her college education.

The 200 Club has grown from 10 members to over 450 members today. It

holds two Valor Award Luncheons annually to honor police and firefighters and award grants to further their education; fifty-four (54) Academic Scholarships and seven (7) Memorial Scholarships have also been awarded over the past fifteen (15) years.

Applications for grants are available by writing to: The 200 Club of Union County, 135 Jefferson Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07207.

Local officials prepare for 1990 Census

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Left to right: Scotch Plains Township Clerk Barbara Riepe, United States Census Bureau Representative Peter Bounpane and Mayor Joan Papan at a recent Census Bureau seminar in Princeton. Municipal officials from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware were in attendance in preparation for the 1990 Census.