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## School Is Open



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### Fall session sign-up for Fanwood art classes

The Fanwood Recreation Department will begin taking registration for its Drawing and Painting Class on Saturday, Sept. 19th at the Forest Road Park Facility from 10-11 am. This new program, which began last spring by Karen Pilkington, will be now housed at the Forest Road Park Building in Fanwood on Wednesdays from 3:30-5 pm for 10 weeks for its fall session. Class cost will be \$45.00 for the 10 weeks and only a sketch pad need be provided. Children ages 9-12 will be eligible. Fanwood residents will have first preference. Classes begin September 30th.

Come have your children enjoy a relaxing afternoon "at the Park" for this enjoyable and unique mixed media course.

### Friends of Fan. Library seeks book donations

Now is the time to clear off your bookshelves! The Friends of the Fanwood Library are seeking donations for their semi-annual book sale, to be held September 19. Books in good condition, children's toys and games as well as children's books, and commercially produced videotapes (no tapes made at home, please) can be dropped off at the library on North Avenue near Martine Avenue. Library hours are 10 AM-5 PM Monday through Friday, 10 AM-5PM Saturday and 7 PM-9 PM Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Magazines and out of date textbooks will not be accepted for the sale, but can be recycled at the recycling center.

### Register on Monday for evening ceramics program

The Fanwood Recreation Commission announces that registration for their fall evening ceramics program will be held at Forest Road Park on Monday, Sept. 14, from 7 to 8 pm. Registrants will have a choice of either a Monday or Thursday evening class to be held at Forest Road Park from 7:30 to 9:00 pm. Classes will be conducted for six weeks beginning Monday, Sept. 21. The registration fee for Fanwood residents is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under thirteen. The non-resident fee, if openings are available, is \$15 for adults and \$7 for children under thirteen. Class size will be limited.

## Brown blasts FAA as liars and incompetents

At the Scotch Plains Township Council meeting this past Tuesday evening, Councilman George Brown called the Federal Aviation Administration liars and incompetents. Referring to the Environmental Impact Study, which was mandated by Congress to be completed more than 15 months ago, Brown said the study, which at last was to be released August 31, had again been delayed. This deadline had been established by Governor Jim Florio and Senate President Don DiFrancesco and was promised by the FAA to be met. But at the last moment, the FAA delayed its release claiming there were errors in the study that needed to be corrected.

Brown blasted the "level of incompetence of the FAA," and said he

thought that they were "lying once again" and that he was "very cynical and skeptical" and felt that the study would be delayed indefinitely.

The meeting began with a resolution honoring Jeffrey Hammonds of Scotch Plains who was named the outstanding U.S. baseball player in the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona. Hammonds, a 1989 graduate of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, is currently in his senior year at Stanford University in California. He has been signed by the Baltimore Orioles organization and will start his professional career upon graduation. After he graduated from high school, he was offered a contract with the Toronto Blue Jays, but he turned that down because he wished to go to college. He was lauded by both

Township Manager Tom Atkins and Township Attorney DiFrancesco as not only an outstanding athlete and a credit to his community, but also as a fine student as well.

During the "Address From The Floor" section of the meeting, Peter Buroff of Rahway presented the Council with a resolution passed by the Rahway Council asking for the stoppage of the building of the Rahway incinerator. He asked that all the communities in Union County unite in getting the project halted. He stated that it was a terrible health hazard which would spew mercury, dioxin and other toxic materials into the air we breathe. He claimed that 85% of the waste that was to be burned was either recyclable or compostable. He explained

that "incineration is totally outmoded and is the worst way to handle garbage." He left some material with the Council for their examination, and the Council said it would look at it.

Councilman Bill McClintock noted that the Library Board of Trustees and friends of the Library recently honored Librarian Norbert Bernstein for his 20 years of service in that capacity and that "Scotch Plains was very lucky to have him."

Mayor Irene Schmidt announced that the John Shippen Memorial Golf tournament would be held on Saturday, September 26 at the Scotch Hills Golf Course. The affair will raise money primarily for minority youth scholarships and urged local golfers to support the effort.

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## Fanwood receives state grant for borough trees

And trees it shall be for the lovely Borough of Fanwood due to the grant writing efforts and hard work of Shade Tree Commissioners Geri Groenendyke, Bill Crosby, Borough Clerk Eleanor McGovern and Borough Hall staff member Colleen Huehn.

The Borough recently received the good news that a grant that they had submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (DEPE) - Division of Parks and Forestry had been approved. Fanwood will receive \$6,150 in state monies and according to grant guidelines must allocate an additional \$2,050. A total of \$8,200 will be spent on approximately 30 new trees this year.

The grant is entitled the Small Business Administration Tree Planting Program. Municipalities receiving state funds are given a list of area small businesses from whom they are required to purchase trees.

*I think that I shall never see  
A poem as lovely as a tree...  
Poems are made by fools like me  
But only God can make a tree.*

Joyce Kilmer

chase trees. Bids for lowest prices are solicited from these businesses. This type of grant is one of the ways in which the state attempts to assist small businesses.

According to Commissioner Groenendyke, several varieties of trees will be purchased including dogwoods, calary pear and blue spruce. The dogwoods will be planted

in the wooded areas of the parks. Blue spruce will be planted on Borough Hall grounds and the railroad station. The master plan developed for the planting of these trees also includes the central business district and streets throughout the Borough.

Commissioner Groenendyke, a 33 year resident of the Borough of Fanwood and former teacher is currently completing her tenth year on the Shade Tree Commission. Upon the recommendation of former Mayor Patricia M. Kuran who was a councilperson at the time, Groenendyke was first appointed by former Mayor Ted Trumpp for her first 5 year term. She was then re-appointed by Mayor Kuran.

Geri stated that she has "enjoyed being on the Shade Tree Commission and loves living in Fanwood. I love the town and the people who live here. It's a wonderful place to live." Geri was especially

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More trees will adorn Fanwood Borough Hall property and streets throughout the town.