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**DIG IN...** Members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Class of 1994, from left to right, Evan Ochs, Michelle Nadler, Prasad Budas and Lauren Everitt, take a breather from the dance floor to sample some dip during their Senior Prom held Friday night at the Pine Manor in Edison. Please see Page 12 for another picture.

## Twelve Students to Receive Scholarships From Plains-Fanwood College Women's Club

Over 58 Years, \$215,025 Has Been Awarded to 264 Young Women

The College Club of Fanwood and Scotch Plains held its annual scholarship awards dinner on Monday, May 23, at Cortina Restaurant in Cranford. Scholarship Chairman, Mrs. Marie Walford, presented awards totaling \$12,025 to 12 local students.

Five of the recipients are graduating seniors from the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. They include Jennifer Curtin, Kerri O'Brien, Diane Sherry, LaKeisha Smith and Tia Zlotnikoff.

• Jennifer Curtin, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Curtin of Fanwood, received \$750 to attend Ithaca College in Ithaca, New York.

• Kerri O'Brien, the daughter of Mrs. Anne O'Brien of Scotch Plains, received a \$1,500 award. She will be attending University Maryland at College Park.

• Diane Sherry, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sherry of Scotch Plains, received \$750. She will attend Quinnipiac College in Hamden, Connecticut.

• LaKeisha Smith, the daughter of Mrs. Eris Smith of Scotch Plains, received \$1,000. She will be attending New York University in the fall.

• Tia Zlotnikoff, the daughter of Mrs. Alisa Zlotnikoff of Scotch Plains, received \$1,500 to attend the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

There are five returning college recipients as well. They include Theresa Adinolfi, Lori Ganz, Jennifer Giordano, Miranda Johnson and Allison Rees.

• Theresa Adinolfi received \$750. She is the daughter of Mrs. Karen Caruso of Scotch Plains, and will enter her junior year at Rowan College in Glassboro.

• Lori Ganz, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ganz of Scotch Plains, received \$1,500. Lori will enter her sophomore year at Douglass.

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## Fanwood Library Offers Adult Reading Club

The Fanwood Library will sponsor an Adult Summer Club Read. Anyone can join by signing up at either Circulation Desk.

The club will run from July 1 through August 31. Each time a book is read and returned, the club member will place his or her name on a drawing slip with a limit of one for each book.

Weekly drawing winners will win free library services for a week, no overdue fines, free video use and free copier use.

The final winner at the end of August will in addition a \$50 book store gift certificate.

## High Blood Pressure Slated for June 3

The Township of Scotch Plains will hold its monthly High Blood Pressure Screening Clinic on Monday, June 13.

The clinic will be held in the Scotch Plains Public Library Community Room from 10 a.m. to noon and is free.

The intent of the clinic is to identify new cases of High Blood Pressure. Those persons who are over 30 years of age and smoke or are overweight or have a family history of heart disease or diabetes and have not had their blood pressure checked recently are urged to attend.



**NEW LEADERS...** Heading the Fanwood-Scotch Plains College Club, left to right, are: Front row, Mrs. Virginia Ruchko, President, and Mrs. Maureen O'Toole, First Vice President; second row, Mrs. Carol Rizzo, Treasurer; Mrs. Margaret Tan, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Joan Lonergan, Second Vice President, and Mrs. Joanne Pomerantz, Director. Not pictured is Mrs. Jeanne Pauley, Corresponding Secretary.

## Number of Employees for Use At Doctor's Office Stymies Board

Additional Study Advised for Parker Greenhouse Driveway Variance

By SUZETTE STALKER  
Specially Written for The Times

Five applications came before the Scotch Plains Board of Adjustment last Thursday, including three from residents seeking annual renewal of their temporary operating permits and two others for permission to renovate private homes.

The opening application was presented by the Reverend Willie Fowler of 2401 Hamlette Place, who asked for and was granted renewal of a temporary operating permit which he has held for several years, allowing him to provide living quarters for two boarders under a rental assistance program. It was determined that Reverend Fowler has honored all conditions established under the permit.

Michael Walch, owner of Breakaway Frozen Yogurt of 447 Park Avenue, had his temporary operating permit renewed after the board concurred that the proprietor upheld the 10 conditions set forth in his original permit.

Board member Anthony Perrucci, who lives near the establishment, commended Mr. Walch for following these conditions "to the letter," and noted that patrons seem to enjoy the store's outdoor seating.

John Ferrara, 1819 Front Street, who leases a portion of his building at 1812-1828 East Second Street to Martial Arts of America, was issued a postponement on renewal of his temporary operating permit pending a determination by Zoning Officer Robert LaCosta as to whether Mr. Ferrara's tenant is in compliance with municipal regulations regarding utilization of signs for the business.

Mr. Ferrara stated that Martial Arts of America has not undergone any changes in its business operations and that the owner of the establishment has complied with the hours of operation established under the original permit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore of 831 O'Donnell Avenue were granted a

variance allowing them to build an extension onto the front of their residence, which will create a five-foot deficit of the minimum 30-foot front yard setback requirement.

The property is located, however, in a cul-de-sac which will be converted into a thoroughfare through the pending extension of O'Donnell Avenue, which is expected to expand the Moores' front yard setback to more than cover the zoning ordinance requirements.

Board attorney Anthony Rinaldo recommended that Mr. Moore acquire confirmation from town officials, however, regarding the applicant's future responsibility for the expanded property. Preliminary construction work has already commenced at the site. Mr. Moore stated, including the removal of some trees and the insulation of manholes where the road will be extended.

Finally, the board began a hearing on an application by Ilya and Dr. Gail Siber concerning the proposed use of a portion of their residence at 1776 Martine Avenue as a professional office for Dr. Siber's practice. The proceedings were stymied, however, as board members and the applicants' attorney, Robert Krause, attempted to determine which type of variance was appropriate for the proposal.

The complex discussion focused primarily on differing interpretations of the zoning ordinance covering operation of a professional office within an R-2 zone, particularly regarding the number of employees which would be permitted to work at the site at one time.

Mr. Krause said he felt certain language of the ordinance was "ambiguous," for example, because it did not distinctly state whether only one

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## SHACKAMAXON TAXES TO BE LOWERED

# Vote to Ban Machines That Sell Cigarettes Set For June 21 Meeting

Bond Ordinance Approved to Remove Underground Fuel Tanks; Move to Change Custodial Banks Now for Township Is Abandoned

By GLENN R. KAPLINSKY  
Specially Written for The Times

The Scotch Plains Council has agreed to vote on banning cigarette machines in the Township. The council announced Tuesday that it will introduce an ordinance at its June 21 conference meeting.

The governing body appears to be evenly divided on the issue, with Councilman Alan M. Augustine, Councilwoman, Mrs. Irene Schmidt, and Mayor William F. McClintock, Jr. leaning toward favoring a ban on the machines. Councilwoman, Mrs. Joan Papen, and Deputy Mayor Robert Johnston are opposed to the proposed ban.

The Township Attorney has been instructed to draft a proposed ordinance for the council's review.

It appears the proposed ban will be a total one as any controls on the machines would present a difficult enforcement problem, officials noted.

Westfield has refused to approve a similar ordinance, while East Brunswick has banned the machines outright. The intent of the ordinance would be to keep cigarettes out of the hands of minors, it was explained.

The Health Advisory Board had previously voted 5-1 in favor of banning cigarette vending machines. One board member abstained. This recommendation is, however, not binding on the council.

There are approximately 13 cigarette vending machines in Scotch Plains. Most of the machines are located in restaurants or gas stations, according to Harry F. "Skip" Ungar, who conducted a site survey for the town.

The proposed ordinance was developed by Mr. Ungar. The Scotch Plains Downtown Committee has refused to take a stand on the issue.

In other business, a bond ordinance appropriating an additional \$300,000 to remove underground fuel storage tanks was approved by the council.

An ordinance was approved in the amount of \$100,000 some months ago to help with start-up expenses and to cover professional service costs.

The ordinance, which passed Tues-

day, amends the prior ordinance. The township has until 1998 to comply with the state mandate to remove underground fuel storage tanks, but seeks to get an early start on this potential problem.

Scotch Plains has decided not to change its custodial banks. As a result of a meeting held last month with

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## Delay in State Aid Puts Budget in 'Limbo'

Borough Clerk Explains That Lighting Change At Municipal Building Expected to Save \$9,681

By TUCKER TRIMBLE  
Specially Written for The Times

"We are in limbo," Fanwood Mayor, Mrs. Linda d. Stender, said concerning the borough's budget at the agenda meeting Wednesday, June 1.

"The budget is in good shape, but the state is in bad shape," Mayor Stender added.

The Borough Council is still unable to formally adopt the budget because there is no certification of the supplemental aid from the state to which the borough is entitled, and which is built into the budget, Mrs. Stender explained. The State Treasurer is hesitating on the issue, she said.

Supplemental Aid totals about \$69,000, Borough Clerk, Mrs. Eleanor McGovern, explained, and if this aid is not received, the borough is either forced to use part of the remaining \$300,000 surplus, or raise taxes.

Councilman Kevin McGonigle pointed out the council had "labored long and hard over the budget," and held 10 meetings to decide on the budget. "I for one don't want to fool around with the surplus. We may have to increase taxes," he added.

Another reason not to dip into the surplus, said Council President, Mrs. Maryanne Connelly, is the situation with the Plainfield Joint Meeting, the local sewer authority.

"In anticipation of further cuts, we are trying to plan ahead," she added.

The Mayor asked Mrs. McGovern to find out the final date to have the borough tax bills printed, and Borough Attorney Dennis Estis told council members to call the Treasurer's Department to inform them a final date is necessary for the tax bill.

"There's a feeling the aid won't be there in the future," the Mayor said.

Mrs. Stender said she will discuss the matter with the borough's auditors to receive their input and comments. If the matter is not resolved by the next Council meeting, she said, the decision to use surplus or raise taxes would be determined.

Because of the budget situation, a second reading on the salary ordinance cannot be acted upon, although the public hearing can be held at the regular meeting. Mr. Estis told the

council members. In other business, Mrs. McGovern reported to the council the lighting fixtures in the municipal building will be changed shortly as a cost-saving feature. Agents from Public Service, Electric and Gas will do the complete installation, she said, and the total cost will be \$14,337, of which Fanwood will pay \$6,607. The utility promises a savings of 40 per cent over a 14-month period, Mrs. McGovern continued, which trans-

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## Stuart L. Pachman Elected a Trustee Of New Jersey Bar

Scotch Plains resident, Stuart L. Pachman, a shareholder at the Newark law firm of Clapp & Eisenberg, has been elected to a two-year term on the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Concentrating in corporate and business law, Mr. Pachman is admitted to practice in New Jersey as well as before the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York and the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. Pachman is a member and Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Corporate and Business Law Section at the State Bar. He previously was a member of the General Council, chaired the State Bar Committee established to amend the Revised Uniform Limited Partnership Law and was a member of the State Bar Committee that drafted Title 15A, the New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation Act.

Mr. Pachman is a past Trustee and Treasurer of the Far Brook School and previously was Director of Accountants for the Public Interest and a member of the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau. Since 1990, Mr. Pachman has been President of the Watching Riding and Driving Club.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Virginia and graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School. He was sworn in as Trustee at the Annual Meeting of the State Bar in Atlantic City.

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For events which are planned weeks or months in advance, we encourage submission of stories as early as possible prior to the event.

The above deadlines are meant to enable us to prepare your copy carefully.



**FOURTH TIME ROUND.** Seventy-one golfers participated in the Fourth Annual John Shippen Memorial Tournament June 5, honoring the first black golf professional. Shown, left to right are: Scotch Plains Mayor William F. McClintock, Jr., Walter Cooper, Jr., the 1993 scholarship recipient; Sherwin Banfield, one of this year's scholarship recipients; David Fay, Executive Director of the United States Golf Association; Patrick Freeman, the other scholarship recipient; Thurman Simmons, Chairman of the John Shippen Committee; John Turnbull, the Scotch Hills Country Club Golf Professional; Mrs. Irene Schmidt, Councilwoman and that body's liaison to the tournament, and Mrs. Ruby Simmons, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee. Complete tournament results are contained in the sports section.

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