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ON THE RUN...Police Departments in Union County participated in the annual Torch Run for Special Olympics on May 31. Pictured holding the United States Flag is Scotch Plains Lieutenant Neal LeStrange along with Sergeant Mark Zyla, center, holding the torch, and Patrolman Kevin Lonergan. Please see another picture inside.

## Freeholder Stender, Runningmates Apparent Winners in Primary Race

County Clerk's Office Expected to Announce Results This Week

By PAUL J. PEYTON

Although final results in the Democratic Primary for the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders are not expected to be available from the Office of the Union County Clerk until later this week, it is apparent that current Freeholder Mrs. Linda Stender of Fanwood and her two runningmates will be victorious. The *Courier-News* reported that with 24 percent of the vote counted Tuesday night, the regular county Democratic line Mrs. Stender, Donald Goncalves of Elizabeth and Nicholas Sotari of Linden had "considerable" leads over slates of candidates from Elizabeth and Union, respectively. The Elizabeth slate included Thomas Jaspán, a resident of Cranford and the son of an Elizabeth City Councilman, and Elizabeth residents Anthony Carrion and Charles Behm. Running on the Union slate were Leonard J. Schillizzi, Ronald D. Bundick and James R. Lloyd. The winners will face the Republican ticket of Freeholder incumbents Mrs. Linda DiGiovanni of Union, Ms. Linda-Lee Kelly of Elizabeth, and Mountainside Mayor Robert F. Vigilanti in November. They ran unopposed in the Republican primary Tuesday. Mrs. Stender was elected to the board in 1993, the only one of the three candidates on the Democratic

line for Freeholder to be elected to the board that year. Her victory narrowed the Republicans majority on the board to 5-4. The Republicans are now in their fifth year of control of the nine-member board. She was Mayor of Fanwood at the time of her victory. Mrs. Stender decided not to seek a second, four-year term last year in order to focus on her freeholder duties. In other election results, with 69 percent of the statewide vote, Congressman Richard J. "Dick" Zimmer defeated Passaic County Freeholder Richard DuHaime (18 percent) and State Senator Richard "Dick" LaRosa (12 percent) in the race for United States Senator. Congressman Zimmer, of Delaware Township, will now face Democratic Congressman Robert G. Torricelli of Englewood in the November race for the Senate seat currently occupied by three-term incumbent, Democrat William "Bill" Bradley of Denville. In addition to taking part in the Presidential Election between Democrat President Bill Clinton and Republican Robert Dole, Fanwood voters will decide the race for Borough Council. Republican incumbent Councilman Louis C. Jung and his runningmate Stuart C. Kline will face Democrats Russell Wells, Jr. and Mrs. Christy Tighe for two seats on the

seven-member governing body. The Democrats currently hold a 4-3 edge on the council with Democratic Mayor Mrs. Maryanne S. Connelly as the tie-breaking vote. In Scotch Plains, Republican Councilman William F. McClintock, Jr. and his runningmate Martin Marks will face one lone Democrat, Kenneth Lipstein, on Election Day, Tuesday, November 5. Mr. Marks is running on the Republican line in place of Mayor Alan M. Augustine who decided not to seek re-election this year. He has decided to focus his efforts on his duties as a State Assemblyman, representing the 22nd Legislative District which includes Scotch Plains and Fanwood. There are no Democrats on the five-member Scotch Plains Township Council.

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## Second Antique Car, Craft Fair In Downtown Scotch Plains Sunday

Second Annual Event Organized by Business and Professional Association

The Second Annual Antique Car Show and Craft Fair will be held in downtown Scotch Plains this Sunday, June 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "The day promises to provide hours of fun and entertainment to the thousands of visitors who are expected to attend," a spokesman for the event said. The event, which is being orga-

nized by the Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association and the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation, "is an enjoyable way to welcome in the coming of summer," the spokesman added. According to Richard Russo of Russo Business Machines, who is the association's Chairman for the car show, "This year's car show's ad-

vanced registrations are more than 20 percent ahead of last year and Ms. Kelly Deegan of the cancer foundation has sold out all available spaces for crafters." In addition to the expected 150 cars and the 30 crafters, there will also be a disc jockey, prizes, a variety of great food from local merchants, 50/50 raffles, sidewalk sales and more. The event will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and more than 40 car show trophies will be presented at 3 p.m. The car show will be held in the parking lots behind the stores on Park Avenue and the craft fair will be on the Village Green. Parking for spectators will be available along East Second Street, the parking lot next to the municipal building on Park Avenue, Park Middle School and the United Jersey Bank. Shoppers will be able to enter the parking lot by Palmer Video for limited short-term parking. The association has reminded all store owners and residents in the area that cars should be removed from the parking lots by 6 a.m. Sunday morning. Antique car owners wishing to register on the day of the event should follow signs for registration which will be held in the parking lot near the library. "The association would especially like to thank the event's major sponsor, Metropolitan Door Company, and the more than 40 other Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association members who helped to sponsor the day," the spokesman said. For more information on the car show, please call Mr. Russo at 322-9520.



VINTAGE MODEL...This classic automobile was just one of the many displayed at the first Antique Car Show and Craft Fair held in Scotch Plains last year. The Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association and the Emmanuel Cancer Foundation will hold their second annual show this Sunday, June 9, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## LOCAL RESIDENTS VOICE OBJECTIONS OVER CHANGE

# Township Council Approves Ordinance to Modify Zoning For Detached Sheds on Homes

Governing Body Bans Trucks Over Four Tons, Excluding Pick-Ups, From Length of Lake Avenue

By GLENN R. KAPLINSKY

Approximately a dozen residents of the Arrowood Drive section of Scotch Plains were attendance at Wednesday's meeting of the Township Council and voiced their objections at a public hearing on a proposed modification to a zoning ordinance. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Archambault of 2030 Arrowood Drive and Dr. Thomas McCann residing at 2929 Arrowood Drive spoke for the group. The proposed ordinance modification regarding detached sheds and other secondary structures. The speakers opposed the change, saying it would not return the ordinance to its original form and intent. They said they were concerned that no mention was made in the ordinance of any backyard setback. They said the prior ordinance, which had been in effect since 1989, was sufficient and that "living space" was not defined. In addition, they said that what constituted a "detached" structure was not spelled out. The speakers objected to the "piecemeal" fashion of the ordinance. They said if the ordinance was approved, it would be not enforceable. The ordinance, they charged, would "create an unfavorable result." In addition, the ordinance fails to specify a height requirement, they said. The residents said that permission is being sought to put three apartments in the area. The said they object to multiple apartments in an area lot zoned for single units. Despite repeated assurances by Scotch Plains Mayor Alan M. Augustine and Councilman Robert E. Johnston that the Planning Board would thoroughly review and study the matter, the residents were not mollified. Councilman Johnston, who is a member of the Planning Board, said he has had frequent meetings, discussions and conversations with the objectors. The council indicated they were taking action upon the advice of counsel. Assistant Township Attorney Mrs. Judith A. Babinski disagreed with the residents' interpretation of the ordinance change stating that the ordinance was sufficient to cover any contingency and was just a codification of existing practice. If necessary, officials said, the Planning Board will retain the services of a professional planner to work on the issues raised by Dr. McCann and the Archambaults. Councilman Johnston explained that while he did not disagree with the public's comments, he said the proposed structure did conform with the present zoning code and that the council was taking action to prevent further problems. "The zone requirements deal with lot coverage and not height," Councilman Johnston said. With all members of the council expressing reservations and promising action, the ordinance passed unanimously. In other business, two other ordinances were adopted. One designates the intersection of Sunnyfield Lane and Clydesdale Road as a stop intersection with a stop to be installed on Sunnyfield. The other excludes trucks over four tons in gross weight from the entire length of Lake Avenue, except for pick-up trucks and delivery trucks. A resolution was approved supporting the sewer extension application for Mansa, Inc. and authorizing the Acting Township Engineer to sign the agreement. A resolution authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to sign an agreement with the law firm of Bivona, Cohen,

Kunzman, Coley, Yospini, Bernstein and DiFrancesco to furnish legal counsel for the remainder of the year was approved. The firm, located in Warren, are presently the township's attorneys. The contract, being of a professional nature, was not subject to bid, officials said. Councilwoman Mrs. Irene T. Schmidt gave a report on the recent sixth annual John Shippen Memorial Golf Tournament which was held on May 28 at the Shackamaxon Country Club. An overflow crowd of over 128 turned out for the event, she said. As they could not all be accommodated at Shackamaxon, some played at the Scotch Hills Country Club. An oil portrait of John Shippen, which formerly hung at Scotch Hills was presented to the United States Golf Association's Museum in Far Hills. Councilwoman Schmidt termed the affair "a great success." Councilman Johnston, liaison to the Cultural Arts Committee, released the following list of scheduled Thursday performances for the Village Green Summer Series: • July 11, Gene Mendaski and the G-Men, polka concert. • July 18, First Class Act, music of the 1930s and 1960s. • July 25, the Tim Gillis Band, country music. • August 1, Cynthia Sayer and

Crazy Rhythm, music of the 1920s and 1930s. • August 8, Verdick, reggae. • August 15, Vibraphonist Warren Chiasson Trio, mellow jazz. • August 22, Jerseyaires, Rahway Valley Chorus, barbershop chorus; harmony dancers, square dancers. • August 29, David Aaron's Big Band, 19-piece Big Band, swing. Two special use permits were issued by the council. One was granted to Ms. Rose Marie Dutter, trading as Rosie's Treasures Boutique at 350 Park Avenue, to display clothing apparel by the front door of their establishment until March 1 of next year. Permission was also granted to display a flag with the boutique's logo on it. Richard Roberts, Ltd. was granted permission to display decorative objects at the front and back entrances of the property located at 375 Park Avenue. These would include decorative urns and plantings, weathervanes, decorative flags and seasonal offerings, all to be displayed in a "conservative and tasteful manner" until March 1. Both applications were endorsed by Seymour Stein of the 162-member Scotch Plains Business and Professional Association. Three resolutions were passed congratulating Karlene Rosera, Christine Hoyer and Laura Cosmas on having attained the Girl Scout Gold Award.

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## C-SPAN Television Studio Visits Local High School

Senior Wins Recognition for Comic Book Illustrations

The C-SPAN school bus, a 45-foot television production studio and demonstration center, visited Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School on May 28 to honor high school senior Amy Fisher. Amy was awarded a \$500 scholarship for her entry in C-SPAN's \$200,000 scholarship competition, in addition to receiving a visit from the C-SPAN school bus. Scotch Plains Mayor Alan M. Augustine joined Comcast Cablevision in congratulating the high school senior during a ceremony at the school. To take part in the \$200,000 national scholarship competition, students from around the country were asked to answer the contest question, "What effect will C-SPAN programming have on my first presidential vote?" Entries were evaluated by cable television executives and education professionals on the basis of creative use of C-SPAN's programming, innovative student expression and a demonstration of what was learned. Amy was recognized for her winning comic book illustration entitled "C-SPAN Saves the Day," a C-SPAN spokeswoman said. In addition, she was interviewed during the bus visit for a short programming vignette which will air

during the "Washington Journal," C-SPAN's daily morning public affairs program, between 7:30 and 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, June 11. Each bus stop is coordinated through a local cable system. This visit was sponsored by Comcast which provides C-SPAN on Channel 37 and C-SPAN2 on Channel 20 in the Scotch Plains area. More than 100 systems are currently scheduled to host the bus throughout the current school year, the spokeswoman explained. Now on its third tour across the country, the C-SPAN school bus will focus this year on Campaign '96 to give students, teachers and viewers a front-row seat to the election process. A second bus was launched on January 1, joining the original bus on its travels to cable communities throughout the country. Both school buses will focus on educating viewers about the political process and specifically about Campaign '96. The C-SPAN school buses and the student competition are part of C-SPAN's First Vote '96, a network initiative focusing on young citizens between 18 and 21 participating in the electoral process for the first time this Presidential election season, the spokeswoman explained.

Members of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Class of 1996 are pictured here arriving at their senior prom which was held at the Berkeley Plaza in Berkeley Heights on May 31. The class will graduate on Wednesday, June 19.



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