



## TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS, NEW JERSEY

To The Residents Of The Township Of Scotch Plains:

Your Township Committee welcomes the opportunity to thank the Scotch Plains Junior Woman's Club for this booklet, which is an outstanding community project.

It is to their enduring credit that our town now boasts of an official tartan and town badge.

It is by virtue of civic minded organizations such as theirs that the common ideals which we share for community betterment can be achieved.

Very truly yours,

Township Committee

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### THE TARTAN AND THE BADGE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SCOTCH PLAINS

The varicolored woolen cloth reproduced on the cover is the official tartan of Scotch Plains. Adopted September 18, 1962, the woven colored threads are identified as the "Scott Red" tartan, chosen in honor of George Scot, considered our town's namesake. The tartan calls to mind our town's early pioneers and their struggle for freedom. Wearing the tartan in Scotland in the early 1700's was a crime punishable by death. Exiles in this country started wearing them as a protest against the intolerant king. Also on the cover is our newly adopted town badge. The crest of the badge is taken from the center section of our Township Seal, and is the well-known Scottish Thistle used in the Royal Badge of Scotland. Today the tartan and the badge become a conscious manifestation of our civic pride and a declaration of our freedom.

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