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The following is a tribute to a mother. Not just any mother, but a very special mother. It was written by her daughters on the day of her funeral and although she didn't live in the area, she visited her daughters and was known and loved by all who knew her while she was in Fanwood. Concetta Sorge - born in 1901 and died April 4, 1983.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR MOTHER - OUR TREASURE

The definition of a treasure is a person or item considered very valuable.

Today, we must bid farewell to our treasure. Our Mother was a very beautiful person who as a child of 3 was brought to America from Italy by her parents. She grew up to be a very bright student and after completing elementary school she was compelled to leave and go to work to assist her family. She married at the age of 27 and became a very dedicated wife and soon after, a Mother. She was a very proud woman and what she was proudest of was her family.

From the time we were very young our Mother taught us family love. Our fairytales were the endless tales of her youth and beautiful phrases, poetry and sayings passed on to her by her Mother and Father. She never wanted for great diversion--she never sought the outside social activities. She was happiest when she was surrounded by her family, cousins and friends and in so doing she assured us of the love and comfort of so many of them present here today.

Those who knew her knew our Mother to be a perfectionist. She gave of herself more than 100%. Indeed she had to be special because of the great love our father has shown her these 55 years of marriage. Complete love and devoted companionship made them inseparable. This great tenderness not only speaks well of him but endows her memory with a glow that will always prevail in our memories of her.

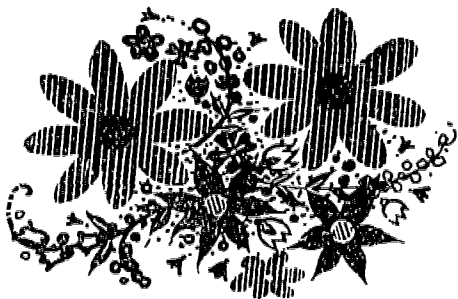
As each of us married she was happy to accept our husbands as her sons and it was evident that she loved them very much. Her grandchildren were her pride and joy. She fretted over their ills; praised their accomplishments; rejoiced in the fact that they all enjoyed each other's company and prayed constantly for their successful tomorrows.

As for us, we were never allowed the privilege of being indifferent, uncaring or unfeeling with each other -- we were a family. She constantly reminded us of this fact.

Our Mother, through her words and deeds taught us to have courage, faith in God and family loyalty. Indeed she was our treasure and one that we will always cherish.

We thank God for having given her to us for these many, many years to complete her mission here on earth and we seek consolation as he has chosen her to be with him now in eternal paradise. We pray that she may be rewarded with heavenly peace and happiness.

-Ann Soriano
-Angela Jaskol



Students win 11 trophies at Festival of Music in Md.

Over 275 students, chaperones, directors and advisors returned to Scotch Plains early Sunday morning toting a total of 11 trophies for their efforts at the Festival of Music in Ocean City, Md.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Marching Band, comprised of 180-plus students, competed with larger AAA rated schools from Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, N.Y., PA, Virginia and W. Virginia and garnered a 2nd place trophy for parade performance. The Color Guard-Rifle Squad received a 1st place trophy which was

presented to Drum Major Sharon Seaver, Drum Major Steve Reich and Band President Tom DeSousa.

Other trophies, recognition and ratings included: Mixed Choir - excellent evaluation; Parade Competition - 2nd place, excellent rating, Flag Squad - 3rd place, good rating; Rifle Squad - 1st place, excellent rating; Twirling Squad - 3rd place, excellent rating; Field Show - 1st place, excellent rating; Orchestra - excellent evaluation; Open Class Competition Band - 3rd place, excellent rating; Wind Ensemble T - 3rd place, fair rating; Wind

Ensemble B - good evaluation; Stage Band - 3rd place, excellent rating.

The Music Boosters Association expressed their grateful thanks to

the communities of Scotch Plains and Fanwood for their continued support and encouragement which made the trip to Ocean City possible.

Service clubs award funds to school groups



Carl Axt, president of S.P. American Legion, presented a check for \$500 to Shani Herman (right) and Abby Maloney, (left) members of the SPFHS Student Leadership Council's Awesome Team. The funds will be used toward construction of a Community Bulletin board to be erected in front of Scotch Plains Municipal building.

A project of the Awesome Team, the bulletin board will be dedicated to Vietnam veterans.

Hill and Lindblad named Outstanding Seniors for 1982

Brenda Lee, Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee to select the outstanding Senior Citizen Man and Woman for the year 1982, announced that the final selections among the nominees are Mrs. Florence Elizabeth Lindblad and Mr. Harold Charles Hill, Senior.

In nominating Mr. Hill, Ed Sorge, President of the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, stated that Mr. Hill has resided in Scotch Plains since 1921, and

served as a volunteer on the Fire Department from 1933 to 1939, when he became a member of The Scotch Plains Police Dept. He became a sergeant, was promoted to lieutenant, and then captain of the Scotch Plains Police Department. In June, 1969, Harold Hill was named Police Chief for Scotch Plains, in which position he served until his retirement in 1972.

During his tenure as a member of the police Please turn to page 14

'Help Us Help You' asks Scotch Plains Rescue Squad

The time has come again for the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad to conduct its yearly fund drive. Scotch Plains residents will be receiving a letter explaining important facts concerning the Rescue Squad.

The squad is strictly a 100% volunteer organization. No one is compensated for his/her time. Any donations the squad receives go right back to the residents in the way of service.

The Rescue Squad depends on the donations it receives to continue to operate. The Township of Scotch Plains gives the squad a yearly donation, which covers only a

small part of its needs. The building is owned and maintained independently by the Rescue Squad. That includes payments of all utilities such as electric, telephone, gas (heat); maintenance of the equipment such as fuel (gasoline), tires and ambulances; purchase of all emergency medical care, supplies and equipment.

"As in past years, the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad would be very grateful for your donation, and hopes that you will be as generous as possible," commented Ed Sorge, Rescue Squad president.

Above, Norman Bendel, outgoing president of the Scotch Plains Lions Club, presents a check to Vincent Turturiello, director of the SPFHS band, for the benefit of the band competition in Ocean City, Maryland.

Below, Bendel presents a check for \$500 to Abby Maloney (left) and Nicki Darrell, members of SPFHS Student Leadership Conference "Awesome Team" for the benefit of the S.P. Community bulletin board.

