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CHINESE AUCTION A FUN NIGHT AT UNION CATHOLIC H.S.

Union Catholic Regional High School, 1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains will be holding its Chinese Auction on Friday, November 19th, at 7:00 p.m.

Ticket price of \$4 entitles you to dessert, beverage, door prizes and 25 free tickets for auction items. Tickets may be purchased at the school or by calling 889-1600.

METHODISTS TO HOST CRAFT SHOW NOV. 12

The First United Methodist Church of Scotch Plains will sponsor a Craft Show on Saturday, November 12 from 9 to 5 at the church, 1171 Terrill Rd. A hot lunch will be available at moderate prices. For further information call 322-9222.

AWARD WINNING AFJROTC VIDEO TAPE AIRED ON CHANNEL 3

The Air Force Junior ROTC unit at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School recently won first place in its category for video tape in the international Aerospace Education Foundation theme contest.

The successful entry, entitled, "Look Out World - Here I Come" will be cablecast on Suburban Cablevision, Channel 3, on Sunday, Nov. 13, 7:05 p.m.; Nov. 16, 10:35 p.m.; Nov. 19, 2:35 p.m.; Nov. 23, 6:35 p.m.; and Nov. 25 at 10:05 p.m.

Be sure to watch this award-winning film!

DECA PLANS CHINESE AUCTION FOR WED., NOVEMBER 30

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, at 7:30 p.m., the SPFHS Chapter of Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) will sponsor a Chinese Auction in the high school cafeteria.

Tickets will be \$3 which includes admission, 24 tickets for the auction and a door prize.

If you would like to donate something for the auction, call the high school (889-8600) between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Many more items are needed to make the auction a success.

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING IN FANWOOD NOVEMBER 10

The Fanwood Board of Health will conduct a free blood pressure screening session from 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., Thursday, November 10, in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Municipal Building located at 75 N. Martine Ave., Fanwood.

More than 23 million Americans have high blood pressure and many are unaware they have it. In most cases high blood pressure is painless and produces no symptoms.

The early detection and treatment of high blood pressure can enable a person to lead a normal life. It takes only a few minutes to have your blood pressure checked.

WSPF-TV CHANNEL 35 SCHEDULE

Girls' Varsity Gymnasts v. Kenilworth - Mon., Nov. 14 & Wed., Nov. 16 - 8-9:40 p.m.

SPFHS Raiders v. Union - Tues., Nov. 15 & Thurs., Nov. 17 - 8-10 p.m.

Pre-K Chapter I Program - Fri., Nov. 18 - 8-8:30 p.m.



**Veterans Day
Nov. 11**

Kuran makes history as Dems win mayor-council race

by Liz Gautier

In a stunning upset in Fanwood, Tuesday, 56% of the borough's 4,647 registered voters turned out to elect former Democratic councilwoman Patricia M. Kuran mayor with a 245 vote plurality over Republican Councilman Doug Clausen.

Never in the borough's 88 year history has a Democrat held the highest office, nor has a woman been elected as mayor. Kuran's running mates, Dave Pickering and Barbara Swindlehurst, also bested their opponents Republicans Carla Lanzara and incumbent Councilman Paul Abbott for a Democratic sweep of the local races.

The Republicans won by a slim majority in Districts 6 and 7, but could not overcome the plurality the Democrats amassed in the other five districts.



Victorious Fanwood Democratic candidates celebrate with pizza party at The Lantern in Fanwood. Councilwoman-elect Barbara Swindlehurst flashes vee-for-victory sign as Mayor-elect Pat Kuran and Councilman-elect Dave Pickering beam their approval.

Total vote count for respectively, to Lan- mayoralty race, Kuran was 1,404 and for zara's 1,237 and Clausen retains his seat on the council Abbots 1,178 vote totals. Although which remains defeated in the Please turn to page 16

Luce refutes charges of racial prejudice

Scotch Plains Police Chief Robert Luce has filed a complaint in the United States District Court termed "ridiculous and unfounded" after he finished first in charges brought by a recent civil service test and was told that the township is an oral examination blocking his appointment to the rank of lieutenant by in-candidates for lieutenantstituting a "new procedure" of oral testing apart" of Culp's score. because he is black. Please turn to page 11

Scotch Plains voter turnout light on off-year election

It was a light election day in Scotch Plains. As there were no local races, only 41% (5,008) of the township's 12,128 registered voters went to the polls, slightly above the national prediction of 40% turn out in an off-year election. Republican county and state candidates scored heavily in Scotch Plains. Incumbent Senator Don DiFrancesco garnered 3,574 votes to Tim McCormack's 1,248. Union County totals gave DiFrancesco 17,176 Please turn to page 15

Tercentennial Committee plans "300" contests

If you're used to playing the numbers game, there's no guesswork involved in being the lucky person to have a Tercentennial number. Terry, Scotch Plains Tercentennial Committee, Inc., Chairman, "in several of the cases, we know who you are, and you've only to come (it's simple," says Judy. Please turn to page 16

"Smokey Mountain Magic" at Terrill November 14



Come, enjoy journeying to faraway places like the world famous Smoky Mountains, home of the black bear. Naturalist Rich Kern presents his Audubon Wildlife Film, "Smoky Mountain Magic" on Monday, November 14 at 8 p.m. at Terrill Junior High School, Scotch Plains. Kern has appeared in National Geographic Please turn to page 12.