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Music On The Village Green Tuttle - Music of the 80's



The Scotch Plains Cultural Arts Committee presents "Tuttle" - Music of the 80's - on Thursday, July 10, at 8:00 p.m. This is the third in the free Village Green Summer Series 1986 performed on the Sevell Stage adjacent to the Municipal Building, Park Avenue, Scotch Plains. The five-piece group features David Smith on guitar, Paul Harris on bass and Greg Fitz on drums with Butter Smith and Michele Harris adding their vocal talents. The audience should bring folding chairs. In case of rain this performance (sponsored by Bowcraft, Route 22, Scotch Plains) will be rescheduled.

GIANT FLEA MARKET AND VOTER REGISTRATION

On Saturday, July 12th the Fanwood Republican Municipal Committee will sponsor a Giant Flea Market at the Fanwood Railroad Station from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. A large turnout of vendors is anticipated with a tremendous variety of items.

The Committee will also have voter registration forms available for anyone wishing to register to vote. Anyone desiring additional information should call 322-8935.

EVERGREEN SCHOOL BECOMES PART OF AMERICA'S FAMILY ALBUM

Students of Evergreen School truly felt they were part of the historic celebration at the Statue of Liberty. As one of the activities planned this past year by Evergreen's PTA Cultural Arts Committee, they joined America's Family Album located at the Statue.

Kodak, as a fundraiser for the restoration of Lady Liberty, invited Americans to send their photographs to be part of this family album. The album will consist of millions of electronically displayed images of our country's greatest resource "her people". The Cultural Arts Committee sent a copy of all class pictures from 1985-86 to Kodak. Evergreen will receive a certificate stating they are a member of "America's Family Album". An identification number will be supplied, so whenever visiting the Statue of Liberty one can refer to this number and the photographs of the children can be seen. The identification number will be posted at school.

IT'S VACATION TIME

Due to scheduled vacations at THE TIMES, copy deadline for the July 24th issue, will be Friday at 12 noon.

Skip Ungar is 'America's Famous Unknown Song Writer'

by Bonnie Sinnock

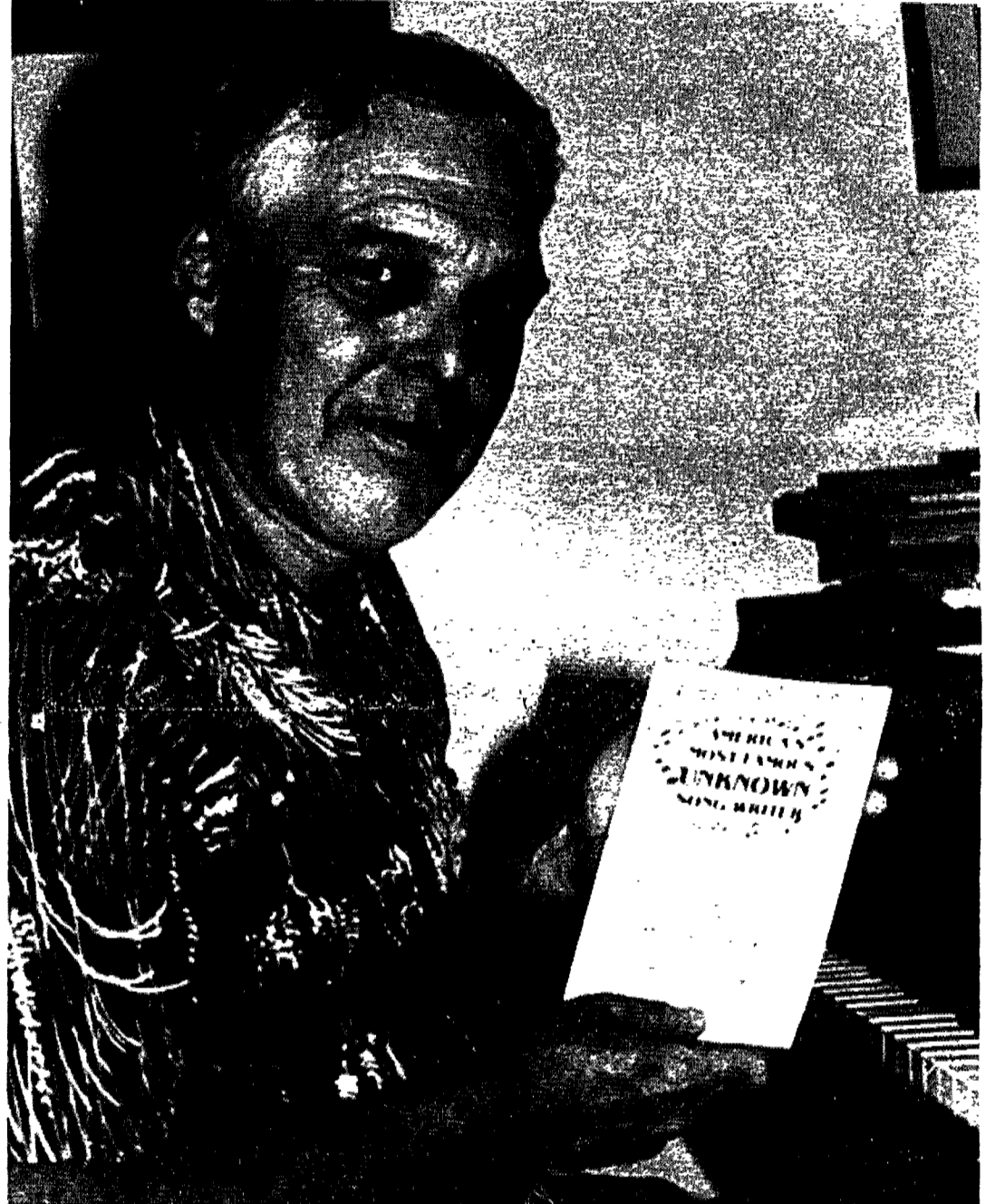
Scotch Plains-Fanwood residents who pick up "America's Most Famous Unknown Songwriter" by Harry F. "Skip" Ungar, will find themselves reading a book that hits close to home in a rather literal way. The 66-page paperback collection of song lyrics, authored by Ungar, a Scotch Plains resident; includes a song entitled "Fanwood U.S.A." and four "New Jersey songs."

Ungar, now a 57-year-old packaging firm executive, studied music at Dartmouth College and took a few music courses at Columbia University. He has been writing songs since age 14, and said the book "catalogues" that ones he considers to be the best.

"I miss today, more than anything else, lyrics that lack wit" Ungar said. Lorenz Hart, to him is the ideal lyricist. "His Lyrics are beautiful, witty and meaningful." In 95 percent of Ungar's songs the lyrics are written before the music.

Most, though not all of the book's songs are sarcastically humorous. "New Jersey the Beautiful," for example, contains the following verse:

*"We worked out a solution to our filthy air pollution,
Now we stuff up all our smokestacks with a cork;
And when the wind is right, we unplug them with delight
And watch it all blow over to New York."*



Skip Ungar with newly published book "America's Most Famous Unknown Song Writer".
Photo by Al Kondak

The "New Jersey songs," were written to "make light of New Jersey's problems" while simultaneously calling

attention to them. Ungar's songs have titles range from "The Fortune Please turn to page 4

Robert G. Furchak - Fanwood Policeman



Robert G. Furchak - 1938-1986

Robert G. Furchak, 48, died Sunday, July 6, at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

He was born in Bayonne and had lived in Westfield for 22 years.

Mr. Furchak, who was a member of the Fanwood Police Department for 17 years, attained the rank of corporal in July 1978. Before that, he worked as a policeman in Westfield for three years.

He was a member of the Policemen's Benevolent Association, Local 123 of Fanwood.

He was also a member of the New Jersey Identification Officers Association and New Jersey Police Traffic Of-

ficers Association. Mr. Furchak was a member of Monsignor John Walsh Knights of Columbus, Council 5437 of Garwood.

He served in the Navy. Surviving are his wife, Geraldine Ruerup Furchak; a daughter, Cheryl L. of Westfield; his mother, Anne Prokop Furchak of Bayonne; and a sister, Elaine Ardente of Garwood.

Services will be held 10 a.m. Thursday, July 10 at Holy Trinity Church in Elizabeth.

Interment Fairview Cemetery in Westfield. Arrangements are by Dooley Colonial Home in Westfield.