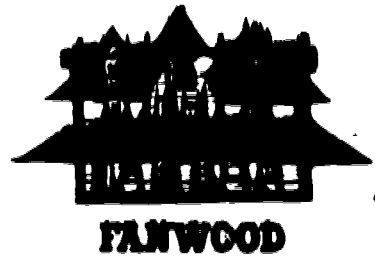


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Ex-POW is Grand Marshall of Memorial Day Parade

Gans next assignment was the U.S.S. Tutuila which was stationed on the Yangtze River at Chungking, China. The Tutuila was in Chungking during all the Japanese bombings of that city.

In 1940 Gans served on the U.S.S. Houston which was operating in and around Manila, P.I. At the outbreak of World War II the Houston proceeded to Borneo. The Japanese fleet was sighted

several times, but no contact was made. After conveying troops from Australia to Java, the Houston was ordered to the Java Sea and was constantly under air attack. Continued on page 20

OUTDOOR ART AND CRAFTS SHOW SET FOR MAY 27TH

The Scotch Plains and Fanwood Arts Association will host the 23rd Annual Outdoor Art and Crafts Show on Saturday, May 27th. The event will be held at Scotch Plains Municipal Green, Park Avenue from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Raindate is June 3rd.

BANDTASIA CELEBRATES MANYA UNGAR TONIGHT!

A reminder to the community that this evening's Bandtasia at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School will include student instrumental performances as well as a special recognition by the Board of Education of Many S. Ungar, local resident and National PTA President. Residents are encouraged to attend Bandtasia, which begins at 8 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. A reception in Mrs. Ungar's honor will follow in the Choral Room.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOC. NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

The Student Government Association of Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School has launched a campaign to help the family of Harish Kakar, the New York cab driver tragically murdered in Scotch Plains. The students hope to express their condolences to the family by raising a substantial sum of money in their time of need. Donations may be made to the Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Activities Fund and mailed c/o Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School, Westfield Road, Scotch Plains, N.J. 07076.

A TALK WITH MAYOR KURAN

Join Fanwood Mayor Patricia M. Kuran, live on Suburban Cablevision TV-3's "Downtown - A Talk With Your Mayor" on Wednesday, June 7th, at 6:30 p.m.

"Downtown" a live call-in show, gives viewers an opportunity to call-in with their questions and allows Mayor Kuran to discuss issues of concern affecting residents of Fanwood.

The phone number is 636-5333.

Mayor Kuran will be joined by Roselle Park Mayor Helen Ryan and Mayor Edwin Force of Cranford.

Repeat show (not-live) will be on Sunday, June 11th, at 5:30 p.m.

EARLY TIMES DEADLINE

Due to the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 29, 1989 there will be an Early TIMES Deadline. All copy must be submitted by Friday, May 26th at 3:00 p.m. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

The traditional Borough of Fanwood and Township of Scotch Plains

Memorial Day Parade will be held on Monday, May 29. Services at the Fanwood Memorial Library are scheduled for 9:00 a.m. and approximately 9:45 a.m. at the Monument at Front Street and Park Avenue. The parade will start in Scotch Plains and march into Fanwood, ending in the vicinity of LaGrande Park.

Ex-Prisoner of War Philip Gans has been chosen by the veterans to be Grand Marshall for 1989. Gans enlisted in the U.S. Navy on November 1, 1928. He served on the U.S.S. Augusta which became the Flagship of the Atlantic Scouting Fleet. While at Shanghai during the Sino-Japanese war the Augusta was hit by a shell. One member of the crew was killed and 18 were injured.

Pete Peterson honored at 1st Annual Rotary Roast

On Friday, May 19th, the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club held its first annual "Rotary Roast". Pierre "Pete" Peterson was the first person to be honored in this manner.

The "Roast" is an event that has been developed primarily to honor people in the community, not necessarily Rotarians, who have devoted themselves according to Rotary's motto: "Service Above Self".

The event was attended by over 150 people who enjoyed an evening of fun and fellowship. Those participating in the "Roast" were Richard Sprague, Moderator and Rotary Club President;

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Pete Peterson arrives at the first annual "Rotary Roast" held in his honor.

Were promises made... to be broken?

by Patricia R. Mundth
The May 23 meeting of the newly formed Scotch Plains-Fanwood Chamber of Commerce began with a slight deviation from the agenda. Joseph Steiner, executive vice president of Suburban Chambers of Commerce reviewed a letter addressed to Scotch Plains-Fanwood businesspeople outlining key points from the May 2 meeting. This letter stated that, "...it was agreed by an overwhelming vote of the nearly twenty people in attendance that an eight month trial period of working with the Chamber of Commerce would be undertaken." The Suburban Chambers of Commerce agreed to help facilitate the establishment of a retail

promotion committee with members elected by Scotch Plains and Fanwood merchants, provide administrative services, and to hold all membership monies that would normally constitute the fee to Suburban Chamber of Commerce in the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Chamber of Commerce account. An evaluation meeting is planned for January, 1990 at which it would determine by majority vote whether Suburban Chambers has earned its 50% fee. If this was not determined, then the Suburban Chambers, "...would work with the existing leadership to form a local Chamber of Commerce."

Upon completion of this review, Steve

Steinberger, CPA announced that two local merchants were frustrated with certain administrative details encountered in working with Suburban Chambers and that they had formed their own Scotch Plains Fanwood Chamber of Commerce which currently has a membership of ten merchants. The original SPF Chamber of Commerce working with Suburban Chambers has a membership of more than sixty merchants.

This news came as quite a surprise to the more than twenty people assembled at the Stage House Inn. Many commented that a decision by majority vote had been reached at the May 2 meeting to form one unified organization

and that they had returned tonight to follow through in good faith.

Mr. Steiner allowed brief comments on the division and then continued with the agenda.

Dates for Summer Sales Days were determined tonight. Fanwood will hold theirs on July 14 and 15. Scotch Plains' will be from August 3-5.

The SPF Chamber of Commerce's promotion of the SPF Scholarship Fund was discussed in terms of a full page ad in the Suburban News. Mike Kelly explained that merchants supporting the Scholarship Fund will be listed in the ad. On the reverse side will be discount coupons. Participating merchants will match the discount

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