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## Crossing Guards receive Service Awards



This past week, the Scotch Plains Police Department presented service awards to members of its School Crossing Guard staff. Police Chief Robert Luce presented the awards with Traffic Supervisor Sgt. Ronald Donnelly at a recent training seminar for all members.

The Chief commented on how fortunate the community was to have such dedicated long time employees interested in working with our children. A few of the guards have crossed two generations of children.

Those pictured above sitting in the first row, from left to right, are: Katherine Wening, who received a 10 year service award; Elaine Speth, a 20 year service award; Pearl Carter, a 5 year service award; Ann Pokorny, a 10 year service award; Marion McGinn, a 15 year service award and Catherine Brandauer, who received a 20 year service award.

Standing, left to right, are: Ptl. Carlton Crawley, Scotch Plains Safety Officer; Edward Smith; Harry Shrubbsall, who received a 5 year service award; Harold Goettel; William Ellis; Louis Merrill and Sgt. Ronald Donnelly, Traffic Supervisor.

Not pictured was Alexander Kitt, who received a 5 year service award and Rosemarie Dooley.

## Senior Citizens are focus of S.P. meeting

by Mark Makowski

Announcements concerning Senior Citizens dominated the October 10th Scotch Plains Town Council meeting.

Councilwoman JoAnne Spatola announced plans for a Senior Citizens Advisory on October 30th at Town Hall. The topic will be grandparenting. A psychologist will lead a discussion on the joys, and problems involved.

A Health Fair will be held for Seniors, and all citizens, at the Municipal Building on October 21st from 8 to 12 a.m. Every service is free, except for the blood test, which will cost \$7.50. Pre-registration is also required for the blood test, and an 8 to 10 hour fast is needed beforehand.

Senior Citizen ID cards will be available at the fair, and there will be extensive health information available. Watch Channel 34 for further details.

The Catholic Community Services are looking for people 60 and over for its Senior Handyman project. This involves crafts workers, such as plumbers and electricians, volunteering to do work around the county. They are then compensated for the materials used. Councilman Alan Augustine stated that this was a vibrant program, with definite benefits to both the giver and receiver. He hoped it would be strongly supported. The number to call is 351-0070, if interested.

In somewhat related news, Town Manager Thomas Atkins informed us that Officer Al Hildick did not retire on October 1, 1989, as was previously announced. Officer Hildick is one of 60 officers, aged 65, involved in a lawsuit over enforced retirement. On November 20, a Federal Court will review the merits of this case. So Al will be sticking it out a while longer.

The Scotch Plains Recreation Commission has recommended that fees at the Scotch Hills Continued on page 13

## No contract... but still working

The educational secretaries and clerks who are employed by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education have been working without a contract since July 1,

1989. In February 1989, negotiations between the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Association of Educational Secretaries and the Board started for a new contract. On May 9, 1989, after three negotiations sessions, an impasse was declared. The Board and the Association requested that the New Jersey Public Employment Relations Commission (PERC) appoint a mediator to assist them to reach an agreement.

Mediation sessions were held on September 6, 1989 and October 2, 1989 with the PERC assigned mediator, Robert Weakley. Both of these sessions only lasted two hours. And both ended with the mediator suggesting that the Board review its position.

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## Citizens input sought for Revenue Block Grant

Mayor Joan Papen has announced a public hearing will be held on the HUD Revenue Sharing Block Grant Sixteenth Year funding on October 26, 1989 in Room 202, Municipal Building, 430 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains at 7:30 p.m.

"We are setting our own priorities and want to know how our own citizens feel the county allocation should be spent," said Mayor Papen.

Scotch Plains has benefited from Community Development funds

since 1975 amounting to almost \$2,000,000.00. It is expected that approximately \$4,500,000.00 will be available to Union County for sixteen year funding.

The hearing will be chaired by Thomas C. Douress, Shirley C. Capone, James W. McCann and Ray D'Amato, official delegates to the Revenue Sharing Committee. Nineteen towns in Union County are involved, and all projects must have a 2/3 majority of the total committee membership. Continued on page 13

## Scotch Plains Day Highlights

by Michael Dunlap, DECA

Scotch Plains Day promises to be a memorable occasion for residents of Scotch Plains. There is something for everyone. Activities include one and five mile runs for all age groups, an all day Flea Market, a Health Fair, live entertainment by the

popular Silver Rose Country & Western Band and performances by the High School Marching Band and the Middle Schools Band.

The highlight of the day is an Awards Ceremony which will begin at 10:00 AM on the Village Green. Manya Ungar, post Na-

tional PTA President, will be one of the Honorees. The Township will recognize Ungar's outstanding efforts by planting a tree at the Green in her honor. The Township will honor David Johnson posthumously for his 20 years of service, on the Scotch Plains Recreation Commission. Also scheduled to be recognized at the Ceremony are Michael Masciale who Continued on page 13

### FANWOOD FIRE EXPLORERS SEEK NEW MEMBERS

The Fanwood Fire Explorers Post 75 are seeking new members between the ages of 14 and 21. If you have an interest in the Fire Service and can commit a few hours a week to learn and have fun, then you are the people that we need. The Post meets at the Fanwood Fire House on Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 till 6:00 p.m. If you are interested please come and join us or contact Norman Grover at 889-6574. We look forward to seeing you!

### MASONS ANNOUNCE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Masonic Temple Association will hold a Pancake Breakfast at the Masonic Temple, Mountain Ave. and Forest Road, Scotch Plains on Sunday, October 15th. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tickets may be obtained from any member and will be available at the door. Proceeds from the breakfast will go to the Children's Specialized Hospital, Mountainside. Donation: Adults \$3.25 and Children \$2.25.

### FLEA MARKET TO BENEFIT CHAPTER I

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Chapter I program will be sponsoring a flea market on Saturday, October 14, 1989 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fanwood Train Station. Home baked goods and refreshments will be sold. The raindate will be Sunday, Oct. 15, from 12 to 5 p.m. All proceeds are to benefit the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Chapter I program.

## PRESTIGIOUS...

A well renowned scholar comes to Scotch Plains courtesy of the Adult School. See page 3.

## SCHOOLS...



Local students selected as National Semi-finalists. Turn to page 14 for all the details.