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Ring in — the Season —

"Damned lies" berates Brown citing latest FAA Airport Impact Study

"There are lies and there are damned lies!", berated Scotch Plains Councilman George Brown, referring to the newly released FAA Environmental Impact Study and claiming it was filled with inaccuracies and misrepresentations. He said that the report didn't address the issue of the problem of jet noise but sought mainly to justify what it had done regarding flight paths and air traffic over our area.

The study, Brown stated, was a waste of 4 million dollars of taxpayers monies and 18 months overdue, to boot. He said that, "if we don't stop the FAA now, by the year 2,000, we will have Linden here in Scotch Plains."

Brown's report was offered at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Scotch Plains Township Council on Tuesday evening, November 24, at the Municipal Building. He noted that there would be a public FAA hearing in Cranford on January 5 and 6, 1993 and would supply more details about it shortly. He urged local

citizens to attend and make their opinions known. Councilman Bill McClintock agreed with Brown. It was indicated that there will be a movement to get Governor Florio to use the full resources of the State of New Jersey to challenge the FAA since it has become obvious that small localities can not do it themselves.

When the report was presented to the public, many of New Jersey's congressional delegation deplored it, including both Senators Bradley and Lautenberg and Representatives Rinaldo, Zimmer and Gallo.

Brown also gave a report on a bus trip taken by the Council and several Scotch Plains managers which went through all the streets of the township to show the magnitude of the town's thoroughfares and what an excellent job the Department of Public Works was doing to maintain them. This was somewhat ironic because just after that, during the "Address From The Floor" portion of the meeting, Marian Thomp-

son, speaking for other residents of the Johnson - Fanwood - Madison - Jerusalem Rd. area, com-

plained that the streets had deteriorated to the point that there might be a collapse if something

weren't done about it promptly due to the large amount of truck traffic

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Dr. Howlett bestowed PTA life membership



In September the Scotch Plains-Fanwood PTA council bestowed a life membership in National PTA upon Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert J. Howlett. Dr. Howlett will retire from the school district next April, after 15 years of service. Seen above sharing the good news with Dr. Howlett are current PTA Council President Karen Gillet, at left, and Council Past President Sally Rowland.

Kiwanis Luminary sale dates

The Kiwanis Club of Scotch Plains, Fanwood & Westfield has released this year's Annual Luminary Sale dates. They are the weekend dates of December 5th, December 12th, December 19th & 20th. As usual, the luminaries will be sold at the Fanwood municipal garage (located by the train station). The price for the Luminaria kit (candle, bag & sand) is still only 30 cents.

In addition, as a time and trip saver, the Kiwanis club sales will also serve as a "drop off" station for WPIX's Food for the Needy and the American Legion's Toys for Tots campaigns. Last year, over 800 pounds of food goods were collected and distributed to local families.

If you are a Luminaria first timer or are not sure how many candles are needed the following

guidelines can be used:

1. Determine the running feet to be lined (street, driveway, etc)
2. Divide by 3
3. Bring an appropriate sized container (bucket, plastic lined box) to transport the sand.

The Kiwanis Club extends its appreciation to all who have given their support to our past luminary sales (56,000 candles sold this year). We

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Christmas Wreath Sale

St. Bartholomew's Boy Scout Troop #203 is now taking orders for 25 inch Balsam Fir Holiday Wreaths. These are beautifully decorated with pine cones and a large red velour bow. The price per wreath is \$14.00, and the scouts will deliver your order to your door.

To place an order, call Scoutmaster James Doyle at 889-7504 or Wreath Chairperson Tom Rutkowski, at 889-7599. Holiday wreaths will also be sold in the morning on December 6 and 13 at St. Bartholomew's Church.