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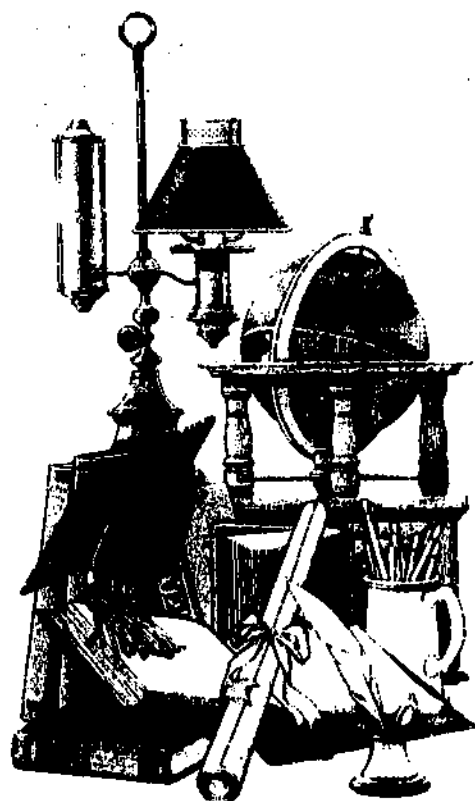
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Congratulations



Jeff Washbourne and Susan Del Negro are among Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School's Class of 1993. For a complete listing of the graduates names see page 6 and 7.



Congratulations to all the new graduates from Scotch Plains-Fanwood Schools. Your hard work has paid off and success awaits you. We wish you the best in all your future endeavors. Set your goals high and always strive to be the best you can be. The future is yours for the taking. Live your best and act your best and think your best today, for today is the sure preparation for tomorrow and all the tomorrows that follow!

From the Staff at THE TIMES

Fanwood councilman resigns

Rossi legacy: held taxes down

Fanwood Councilman Frank Rossi announced his resignation from the Fanwood Borough Council effective June 18th. Rossi recently sold his home in Fanwood and is currently looking for another home. He is unsure whether he will live in Fanwood or Scotch Plains.

Rossi is currently completing his first 3-year term as councilman. He and running-mate Andrew MacDonald were elected to office in November 1990 and began serving their terms in January 1991. Before the decision was made to sell his home, Rossi had every intention of seeking a second term as councilman. June 8th primary election results had Rossi and his council running-mates Andrew MacDonald and Don Kolterjahn victorious by an almost 4 to 1 margin.

The Fanwood Republican Committee, led by Municipal Chairman and former Fanwood Mayor Ted Trump, will now have to subject three names to the council for consideration for Rossi's seat. The committee will also have to name an individual to replace Rossi on the November ballot.

Rossi is most known for his accomplishments as Chairperson of the Administration and Finance Committee for the past two years. His skilled efforts brought in two exceedingly low increases in municipal taxes. In 1992 the overall municipal budget increase was less than 3 percent. The 1993 budget also hovers around the 3 percent increase margin. Both increases reflect increases below the overall cost of living, a fact of which Rossi is most proud.

Rossi also served on the health and welfare committee and was Fanwood's representative to the Plainfield Joint Meeting Sewer Authority for the last 3 years. Rossi stated that "it was most satisfying to see the level of volunteer service in Fanwood. This spirit is

what makes a small town function so well while also saving the taxpayers money for services which ordinarily cost other municipalities."

The former councilman was also quick to compliment "the dedication of all of the municipal employees and the Council itself". Rossi particularly emphasized the sincere efforts of Councilman Andrew MacDonald and Councilwoman Maryanne Connelly who are currently serving their third terms in office.

Rossi also stated that being on the council was an "educational experience for him. "I gained insight on areas such as sewers to cat licensing; affordable housing to budgeting. The ad-

ministration and management of a small town might be considered quite simple but it is definitely a complex matter requiring many hours of hard work". Rossi again praised the council for their tireless efforts stating that "it is really a volunteer job that people do to help the community." Unlike many other municipalities which pay their elected officials, Fanwood councilpersons receive \$1.00 per year.

Rossi attended Rutgers University and Seton Hall Law School. He is currently an associate corporation council at Bristol-Myers in New York City. He has previously served as an assistant Union County prosecutor having been appointed by the late John Stamler.

Rossi is married to the former Anne Ard. His wife is the daughter of former N.J. Superior Court Judge John Ard. Rossi is the son of former Scotch Plains Police Chief Michael Rossi. Chief Rossi was a Scotch Plains police officer for 37½ years, having served eight as chief. Frank and his wife Anne have two young daughters, Erin, 3 years old and Kelsey, 14 months old.

Rossi's colleagues praised him as being a "conscientious, dedicated councilman with an exemplary attendance and effectiveness record." He was called a "knowledgeable councilman who was very responsive to citizen's concerns and whose legal expertise was of great assistance to the council and the community."

Scotch Plains Council honors local VFW Post

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Post #10122 was honored on its 25th anniversary by a resolution issued by the Scotch Plains Township Council at its regularly scheduled meeting this past Tuesday evening at the Municipal Building. The award was accepted by Commander Pat Masi and Senior Vice-Commander Frank Chupko on behalf of the post. The Council noted all the community work the post has done and commended its members for their humanitarian efforts.

Also honored was Scout James E. Bishop, age 14, on his attaining the rank of Eagle Scout. He was presented with a resolution congratulating him for his achievement.

Councilwoman Irene Schmidt announced the program for the coming Village Green Summer Series, "Entertainment Under The Stars". Each Thursday night, beginning July 1 through August 19, various musical programs will be presented, free of charge, on the stage at the Village

Green beside the Municipal Building. Featured will be Dennis Ray, 50's Rock and Roll, July 1; Tim Gillis, Country & Western, July 8; The Wooster St. Trolley Jazz Band, Dixieland, July 15; Billion Dollar Sound, Big Band (Block Party from 6:30 to 9:30) July 22; Wendy Saivetz, folk guitarist, July 29; Andrew Schulman, classical guitarist, August 5; Hickory Tree Chorus, Sweet Adelines, August 12; and The Glad Rags, ragtime, August 19. With the exception of the Block Party, all performances will begin at 8:00 P.M.

In another resolution, Donald Novello, Dr. Martin Marks and Victor DiFrancesco were appointed to the Planning Board.

Mayor Joan Papen announced that the Township auction held earlier this month produced \$4,334.75 from the sale of used and out of date equipment owned by Scotch Plains. The money will go into the general tax fund.

Township Manager Tom Atkins, in his report, said that Cooper Road

from Martine Avenue to Rahway Road will be repaved in the near future. He also commented, along with Councilman Alan Augustine, on Project Graduation, which was held that night, and wished to thank all those who had made it possible.

Councilman Bill McClintock made a plea for donations for the Scotch Plains Rescue Squad, citing the importance of its work and that most of its monies come from local giving.

The retirement of McGinn School Principal Robert L. Rath, who served as the school's first and only principal for 27 years, was noted in a resolution by the Council, and congratulations were offered to him.

Perhaps the highlight of the meeting was the introduction of several resolutions and ordinances by Councilman Robert Johnston. His eloquence, both in manner and language, was commented upon by several of his peers.

The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday evening at 8:30 on July 13, 1993.