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WORLD LANGUAGE HONOR SOCIETIES INDUCTION CEREMONY

On Wednesday, November 14, 2018, a total of 59 Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School students were inducted into their respective world language honor societies during a ceremony replete with pomp and circumstance. Flag-bearing officers led their inductees into the auditorium as cultural music played. Senior Sophia Iacona, who served as Master of Ceremonies, introduced the various guest speakers of the evening.

Senior, Gianna Calligy, representing the Chinese program, talked about breaking through her language learning plateau by putting her language skills to use when ordering Chinese dinner for her family. She also shared that her Mandarin class is often the highlight of her stressful days in school and is thankful for the small, tight-knit learning community that her teacher, Mrs. Salewski, has provided.

In her speech, Senior, Sophia Iacona addressed her personal journey with learning French over the year. She thanked her teachers and classmates for always providing meaningful classroom discussions, interesting cultural lessons and providing an environment of French immersion on a daily basis. She spoke with passion about how her experiences as a host family to a French exchange student and her own visit to France as a junior have transformed her language abilities



(above) Italian Honor Society Inductees Antoinette Chango, Sarah Dill, Carly Dvorin, L. Gettler, Mason Glod, Christina Gubernat, Kyle Isolda, Lauren Kieltyka, Nicholas LaFerrara, Valeria Macchini, Amy Magrino, Lindsey Porchetta, Carly Spellman.

and love for everything "French." She looks forward to hosting another exchange student this year and traveling to France once again.

Rachella Carlino spoke about the joy she experienced when traveling to Italy after studying Italian for a few years. Because of her experiences in the classroom she was proudly able to communicate with the locals. She congratulated this year's Italian inductees and encouraged them all to continue their studies in Italian language and culture.

The last speaker of the evening, Brent Mankin, is a current Senior in the Spanish program at SPFHS. Brent spoke about how a family trip to Buenos Aires, Argentina allowed him to apply his years of studying Spanish in the classroom to real world situations. In just a short amount of time he felt comfortable ordering food, following directions and asking questions while on their tour of Iguazu Falls. In his speech he encouraged this year's inductees to take advantage of every resource and guidance the

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French Honor Society Inductees
(above) Josephine Cerino, Carina DelCore, Michaela Genty, Vanessa Handy, Maria Schmidt, Meghan Taylor, and Juliet Trifiro.



(above) Chinese Honor Society Inductees Catherine Buren, Jake Hahn, Christopher Tsuchiya, William Robertson, Justin Verceles, Danielle Vuono, Chloe Yang, Keri Yang, Samantha Yip, and Julia Yu.



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World Language department has to offer. He urged students to take every opportunity in class to participate and to use language to communicate as best as possible. Brent ended his speech by saying, "We are living in a time where cultural division is sadly commonplace; yet, language has the ability to unify people across borders, and you represent the best of this district's Spanish speakers."

Representatives of each language program conducted the induction ceremonies for each language entirely in the target language. These representatives included: Robert Leonardo (Chiese), Isaac Wong (Chinese), Tierra Biussereth (French), Rachel Tang (French), Sara Barshap (Italian), Isabella Verga (Italian), Michael Dieu (Spanish), and Dominick Lamastra (Spanish).



(above) Spanish Honor Society Inductees Connor Alchus, Persis Baah, Alexa Chan, Katherine Chouinard, Jordan Clement, Nicole DeFrancesco, Sophie Drapkin, Jessica Eggert, Jennifer Fleck, Jessica Friebely, Jada Gomillion, Emelyne Johns, Nicole Kenny, Aleezah Madraswalla, Clara Masback, James McNichol, Athena Postlewait, Sophie Pritchett, Sarah Rata, Sarai Romero, Cheryl Schneider, Olivia Shih, Brandon Weinberg, Jovi Williams, Morgan Wilson, Elena Wollman, Tara Wolman, Kelly Zimmerman, Rachel Zucker

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Michael Goldstein is the newest member of the Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club. He was inducted during the December 19, 2018 meeting. After the ceremony he said "I am thrilled and delighted to have been invited to be a part of this great organization and I look forward to doing great work with you all."

Michael has lived in Fanwood for over seventeen years with his wife Carol. They have 2 children, Bess and Ella. He has worked at the JCC of Central New Jersey for fourteen years, and on November 1, 2018 he became their new Executive Director.

Members of the Fanwood Scotch Plains Rotary Club are from diverse walks of life – from business and professional roles in government and non-profit organizations. Rotary is non-religious and non-political, open to members of any race, culture or creed. Members are committed to making their communities better places to live, as they enjoy the fellowship of Rotary with like-minded persons. They carry out a broad range of cultural, humanitarian, and education programs that touch people's lives in the local and the global community. Meetings are held every Wednesday at 12:15 p.m. at The Stage House Restaurant, Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ. For more information please visit fsprotary.org or on Facebook: Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club.



(above, l-r)) Michael Goldstein was inducted into Rotary by Steve Goldberg.

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ROTARY INTERACT CLUB

Interact Club, the student arm of the Rotary Club, members Antoinette, Evelyn, Lydia, and Alyssa were among the volunteers who spent time at the Fanwood/Scotch Plains YMCA on Saturday, December 8, 2018, selling hand-made

jewelry, and hand sewn items made by girls at a rehabilitation house in Uganda. 100% of the profits go to the non-profit Beads of Hope Angel House Project. A Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary supported charity which benefits Uganda women.



PETER AND THE STAR CATCHER DELIGHTS

On November 16th and 17th Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School performed Peter and the Star Catcher play to the delight of their audiences. Peter and the Star Catcher explored how a young orphan ultimately became Peter Pan, the boy who would not grow up. From the

marauding pirates and jungle tyrants to unwilling comrades and unlikely heroes, Peter and the Star Catcher playfully explored the depths of greed and despair, and the bonds of friendship, duty and love. This play was a sheer delight and was exquisitely casted.



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FANWOOD SENIORS CLUB HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

The Fanwood Seniors Club annual holiday luncheon featured live entertainment by the SPF High School Moonglowers and a fabulous menu of prime rib, salmon and chicken picatta. Thanks to club president Joe Bruno.

The Fanwood Senior Club, in existence for more than 60 years, meets several times a month to offer senior citizens friendship, camaraderie and activities to do together. There is a monthly bus trip to Atlantic City and outings that the more than 100 club members enjoy regularly.

The Club's meeting schedule is as follows, every month except July and August:

1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

Planning meeting, 10 a.m., Forest Road Park

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

General meeting, 10:30 a.m., Forest Road Park

4TH MONDAY OF THE MONTH:

General meeting, 10:30 a.m., Forest Road Park

All members are welcome at all meetings.

To join the Fanwood Seniors Club,

contact Joe Bruno 908-889-7262

or email joebruno2099@comcast.net.



(above) Joe Bruno, pictured with Council members Anthony Carter, Kathy Mitchell, Tom Kranz, Russ Huegel and Borough Administrator Eleanor McGovern.



(above) Long-time Fanwoodians Bob and Grace Kruthers, posing with Councilman Tom Kranz.

ARTIST LANA LIDDY-LAPADURA EXHIBIT AT LIBRARY

Fanwood resident and award-winning abstract artist Lana Liddy-LaPadura will be featured in the downstairs gallery space of the Scotch Plains Public Library. The exhibit will run from January 6-29, 2019. A reception will be held on Sunday, January 13, 2019 from 2-3:30 p.m. To preview some of the work that will be shown visit lanaliddylapadura.com



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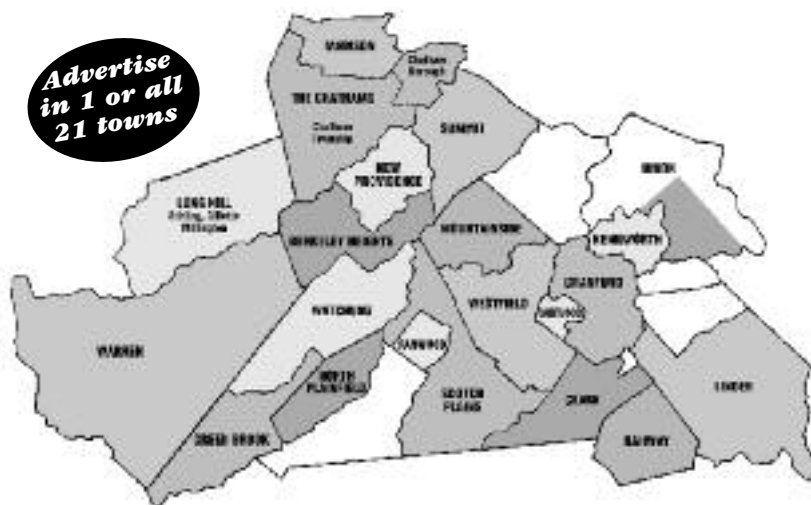
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Submitted by Fanwood Councilman Tom Kranz

Fanwood's annual Santa arrival and Christmas tree lighting was held on Sunday, December 2, 2018. It brought out many of our families to get photos with Santa, enjoy cookies, crafts and a serenade by the fabulous Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School Chorus. Mayor Colleen Mahr lit the tree with the assistance of Santa Claus, and Susan

Schuman led the crowd in a celebration of the first night of Hanukkah. The Fanwood Recreation and Public Works Departments worked hard to get the tent up and make this event happen once again. Thanks to all of our volunteers who assisted at the North Avenue lawn of our historic train station.



(above) The Fanwood Recreation Commission, volunteers and Recreation Director Bob Budianski Second from right). Photos by Borough of Fanwood

COLLEGE CLUB

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Fanwood Recreation's winter lineup of after-school programs offers a fun, exciting mix of the old and the new. Coming back are such favorites as LEGO Club, Babysitting Certification Class, Junior Scientists Lab and Junior First Responder Class. New additions to the schedule include Preschool Drawing and Elementary Drawing, offered by Young Rembrandts. Plus, for our youngest athletes, USA Sport Group offers Soccer Squirts, which will be held indoors at the Forest Road Park building.

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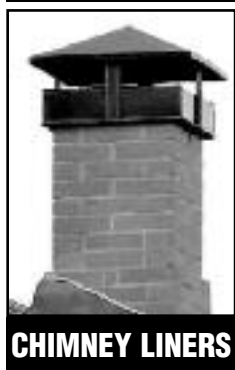
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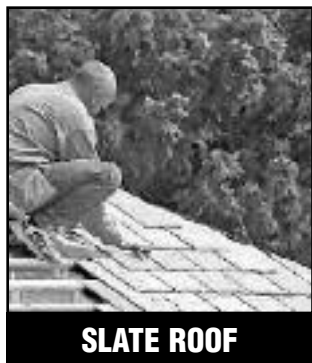
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