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The Fanwood Police Department welcomed its first tour in a couple of years on May 5th, Cub Scouts from Den 4, first graders from McGinn and Coles Elementary schools and some of their parents.

The Scouts got a guided tour of a police vehicle by Officer Sean Hoffman who demonstrated some of the gear and outfitted the kids with riot helmets and shields. They also got a chance to sit in the police car and operate the lights and siren.

Inside, Officer Mike Rusin guided the group through the squad room, the interview room, the jail and the mug shot area. There were amusing moments and fun photos of the children in the jail cell and posing for mug shots.

“We are open to these kinds of tours for small groups,” said Police Director Mike Bramhall. “Our officers also encourage kids to approach them when they see them in the community, ask questions or just to say hi.”

Groups interested in a tour of the Fanwood PD may request it by emailing Adrienne Relford at arelford@fanwoodnj.org.

Photos by Tom Kranz



(above) Scouts got to try on equipment



(above) Mug shot area



(above) Visiting the lock-up



(above) Officer Hoffman with a scout in the driver's seat



(above) Matthew Manson gives his best mug shot face

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Please allow thirty minutes for your visit and be sure to schedule a tour in advance. We typically spend 15 minutes inside headquarters and 15 minutes touring a police car. To arrange a tour of the Fanwood Police Department, please email Administrative Assistant Adrienne Relford at arelford@fanwoodnj.org.

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DANIEL HUDSPITH SWORN IN AS POLICE OFFICER

Daniel Hudspith was sworn in on May 2, 2022 as a Fanwood police officer at the Borough Council's monthly agenda meeting. Hudspith, a resident of the Long Valley area of Washington Township, Morris County, has six years of law enforcement experience, most recently in Pennington. He holds a Bachelor's

degree in sociology and is an active reservist with the U.S. Air Force as an E7 Master Sargent.

In addition to his fiancé, his two brothers, Nick and Jack, niece Isabel, mother Patricia Taylor and stepfather Reginald Matthews were in attendance.



(above, l-r) Police Director Michael Bramhall; Council President Anthony Carter; Elisa Taylor; Officer Hudspith; Tiffany Taylor; Councilwoman Trisha Walsh; Patricia Hudspith; Reginald Matthews; Isabelle Hudspith; Jack Hudspith; Nick Hudspith

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Fanwood kicks off its summer season with its annual Party in the Park on Tuesday, June 28th, 6–8:30 p.m. in La Grande Park! Join us for food, music, rides, contests and more! Immediately following the party will be the screening of the first film in Fanwood's free 8-week summer movie series on La Grande Park's baseball field. The movie selections are still being worked out at the time of this writing, but be assured that the first in the series will be a family-friendly, fun-filled favorite, as will all those that follow!

Please check fanwoodrecreation.org for more details about the Party in the Park and the movie series.

HOME-DELIVERED MEALS ARE AVAILABLE

Mobile Meals of Westfield President Ruth Maloney, board members and the organization's chef manned the information tent at the recent Westfield Spring Fling street fair. The message they delivered to attendees of the event focused on Mobile Meals delicious and nutritious food offerings for those individuals unable to provide meals for themselves. Hot dinners are provided for \$7.50 which includes a protein, two sides, soup, dessert and drink. Clients can also order a lunch in combination which includes sandwich, fruit and a drink. The cost for both meals is \$10.50.

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For more information, visit the Mobile Meals website at mobilemealsofwestfield.org or call 908-233-6146.



(above) Ruth Maloney, Mobile Meals of Westfield President.

Courtesy photo

UNICO WELCOMES TWO NEW MEMBERS

The Scotch-Plains Fanwood Chapter of UNICO recently welcomed two new members into its organization. Joseph De Candia, and Angelo Ucciferri were sworn in by Chapter Vice-President Paul Raphael.

UNICO is the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States. The organization's objectives are to promote the image of Italian Americans, to serve the community, and to contribute to charitable, cultural and educational organizations and projects.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Chapter of UNICO was chartered in 1973. Our chapter has raised and donated thousands of dollars annually

to support scholarship programs, organizations and individuals in the New Jersey area. Since 1974, we have co-sponsored the St. Barts/UNICO Italian Festival, which attracts thousands of visitors over Labor Day weekend.

UNICO takes great pride in its rich history, cultural heritage, and dedicated membership. Our local chapter also has been recognized as "Volunteer of the Year" and has earned its place in our community for service to others and charitable contributions since its inception.

For more information about Scotch-Plains Fanwood UNICO, please visit unicospf.org or email spfunico@gmail.com.

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(above, l-r) Joseph De Candia, and Angelo Ucciferri were sworn in by Chapter Vice-President Paul Raphael.

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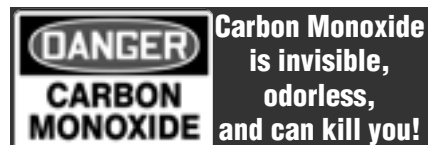
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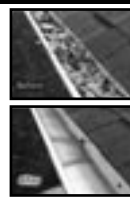
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Submitted by Coles PTA

Celebrating the return of musicals, plays and performing arts is not just celebrated on Broadway, but also right here in Scotch Plains and Fanwood, as the J.A. Coles Variety Show returned to the theater this year!

Musical groups from all grades showcased their talents, creativity, and courage as they honored some of the most beloved Broadway musicals with their performances. In front of a full audience of proud parents, caregivers, and other loved ones, Coles variety show performers sang and danced to numbers from musicals such as Hamilton, Mary Poppins, Lion King, Beetlejuice, and more. “I loved the Variety Show this year because I got to spend time with my friends and have fun,” said 4th grader Ella Schiumo, a sentiment shared by all performers.

The Variety Show is one of the most popular events of the Coles school year and is made possible by dozens of parents and caregivers who donate their time to run practices for weeks in advance, plan event details and logistics,

choreograph dances, plan costumes and stage props, not to mention run the entire show from start to finish for the school community to enjoy. The effort this year was even more unique, with the need to plan an event that was enjoyable for

all involved while still upholding pandemic safety practices.

Congratulations to all performers and volunteers for making the return of the Coles Variety Show a success! Bravo!



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RECREATION DIRECTOR'S COMIC BOOK ART THRILLS CLASS



(above) Bob Budiansky shows two versions of a Transformers cover

Photo by Tom Kranz

Borough of Fanwood

A roomful of about 40 aspiring comic book artists sat at tables inside the Forest Road Park recreation building recently and got lessons in pencil drawing, 3D shapes and the basics of making comic book characters come to life. The instructor was a 20-year veteran of Marvel Comics whose work lives today in Transformer, Ghost Rider and Sleepwalker books. The instructor was Fanwood's own Recreation Director Bob Budiansky, known in comic book circles across America for all of the above and for being the editor-in-chief of the Spiderman line until Marvel went bankrupt in the mid 1990's.

"I started drawing when I was five," he remembers. "When I was in eighth grade, I thought to myself, I want to grow up to be a comic book artist."

His path was not a straight line to comic book art. He went to Bronx High School of Science

followed by the University of Buffalo where he earned his bachelor's in civil engineering and was all set to get a master's in transportation engineering. He never stopped drawing, however.

"A friend got an entry-level job at Marvel Comics, but left for a job he really wanted at the New York Post. He asked me if I wanted to interview for his job at Marvel. I dropped out of my master's program, got his job at Marvel and stayed for 20 years."

For his class at Forest Road Park, Budiansky showed how a comic book cover goes from a pencil sketch to the black-inked version and finally the full color work that is familiar to fans of Marvel superheroes. He demonstrated how to make a human figure, a car or a plane out of basic shapes. The class participants, kids and adults, followed along with pencil and paper. His confidence at the easel was evidence of his years of experience and the class participants were rapt.

COLONIAL CHILDREN'S DAY - JUNE 5TH

The Osborn Cannonball House

Imagine waking up each morning shortly after sunrise. In the winter, there might be a thin layer of ice on the water in the pitcher you would use for washing up. In the summer, you sweated while the mosquitoes bit and the flies buzzed in your bedroom. Life in colonial days was vastly different than life in the 21st century.

In each family children were expected to do chores. Boys worked with their father to plant, water, and harvest crops. They helped raise livestock and hunt wild animals to feed the family. They chopped wood, built fences, and some even went to school. However, many children did not attend school because there was no free public school like we have today. The girls helped their mother do all the cooking, cleaning, washing, gardening, child care, and sewing to make clothes for their large families.

Children of long ago had fun despite their many chores. They always found time to play.

Most of the toys were simple and a good imagination made playtime the most enjoyable time of each day. Boys played with spinning tops, jacks, or clay marbles. They made whistles out of blades of grass and made boats out of sticks and leaves. Girls played with corn husk, handkerchief, or wooden dolls. They made bracelets and necklaces out of dandelions and daisies. Both boys and girls had fun running while spinning a large wooden hoop with a stick. Some of the most popular toys were ball in a cup, Jacob's ladder, spinners, quoits (ring toss), and draughts (checkers).

On Sunday, June 5th between 2 - 4 p.m., come visit the Osborn Cannonball House Museum, located at 1840 Front Street, Scotch Plains, NJ. Step back in time to experience the simple joys of childhood. Costumed docents will provide hands-on activities, including crafts, and stories for your fun and participation in our Colonial Children's Day celebration!



(above) A Colonial Children's Day celebration will be held on Sunday, June 5th between 2 - 4 p.m., at the Osborn Cannonball House Museum, located at 1840 Front Street, Scotch Plains, NJ.



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Borough of Fanwood

The Fanwood Earth Day community cleanup returned on Saturday, April 23rd, after a two year absence. A nice turnout of volunteers dispersed across town to the public thoroughfares and parks to pick up trash. Mayor Colleen Mahr and Public

Works Director Clint Dicksen hosted the event, along with the Clean Community Committee and the Borough Council. Beautiful reusable grocery bags were given out free along with t-shirts and reusable straws. Thanks to all the volunteers who turned out to clean up our town!



(above) Free reusable grocery bags with iconic Fanwood images

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS

Fanwood Recreation announces that registration is now open for the following summer programs for children: Summer Park Program, TGA Premier Junior Golf Camp, Junior Tennis Lessons, Girls Xtra Edge Lacrosse Camp, Skateboarding Camp, Squirts Multi Sports Camp, Multi Sports Camp, Senior Squirts Multi Sports, SNAG Squirts Golf Camp, Squirts Golf Camp, T-Ball Squirts, Parent & Me T-Ball Squirts, Senior Squirts Soccer, Squirts Soccer, Parent & Me Soccer Squirts, Basketball Camp, Babysitting Certification, Junior First Responders and Hip Hop Experience Summer Dance Camp.

Registration is also open for these summer programs for adults: Pickleball Lessons and Tennis Lessons.

For more information about these programs and to register, please go to fanwoodrecreation.org.



(above) Councilwoman Kathy Mitchell and Mayor Mahr with Green Team members Sam Cohen, Gary Morris, Caleb Cohen and Maryann Bonacum

PROGRAM TO FOCUS ON BEREAVEMENT

A bereavement program entitled "You Are Not Alone-Together We Heal" will be offered on Thursday, June 9, at 7 p.m. at Fanwood Presbyterian Church, which is located at 74 S. Martine Ave., Fanwood. Please enter through the door on MacDermott Place, which is handicapped accessible.

You are invited for dessert and to hear a presentation by the Rev. Dr. Kenneth Macari, who will lead a discussion on ways to cope with loss, especially that of a loved one. Rev. Macari is a certified grief counselor and leader in the Grief Share Program.

If interested in attending, please RSVP by Monday, June 6. For further information, contact Judy at 908-322-7426 or at judyshar@gmail.com.

HIGH SCHOOL SWIMMERS HONORED

Borough of Fanwood

Aislinn Mooney and Bridget Davis recently received proclamations from Fanwood Mayor Colleen Mahr for their outstanding academic achievements and extraordinary performances at YMCA swim meets. Aislinn maintained a 4.3 grade point average while achieving multiple placements at the YMCA Short Course National Championships in Greensboro, North Carolina. She is a member of the National Honor Society and will attend Duquesne University in the Fall. Bridget, with a 4.0 grade point average, achieved personal bests at the 2022 YMCA Nationals. She is a member of the National Honor Society, honor roll student and is a student ambassador. She will attend the University of Connecticut in the fall.

TAKE A CHANCE AND RAISE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

The College Club of Fanwood-Scotch Plains is holding a special ShopRite Gift Card raffle to raise funds for the annual scholarships that the College Club has been awarding to local young women for 89 years.

Raffle drawings will be held on October 9, 2022 at Brookside Park in Scotch Plains. Winners need not be present.

The tickets are \$5 each. The first prize is a \$500 ShopRite Gift Card, and there is a second prize of a \$250 ShopRite Gift Card. 750 tickets are available. The prizes have been donated by the Clover Leaf Farm, which produces The Farmer Hen's Eggs. Due to the generosity of the Culley family, owners of the farm, all proceeds from the sale of the raffle tickets will go directly into the College Club's scholarship fund.

In spite of having to curtail fundraising events due to continued COVID concerns, the F-SP College Club was able to award \$31,500 in scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year. The College Club remains united with the community in its mission to empower young women through educational programs and scholarships and is looking forward to awarding scholarships for the 2022-23 academic year.

Please consider supporting this worthy and important cause that is taking the place of the club's annual luncheon which has been a major source of scholarship funds.

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The Arbor Day program, sponsored by the

Fanwood Shade Tree Commission, encourages environmental awareness and conservation. Students from the Nettingham Middle School Environmental Club read a poem about trees and gave out Pine Oak and Dogwood tree seedlings. Commission co-chair Joann Muoio led the ceremonies.

Councilwoman Kathy Mitchell read the Arbor

Day proclamation, signed by Mayor Colleen Mahr. Fanwood's Master Tree Steward Dean Talcott did a presentation about the parts of a tree. Public Works employee Austin Louise demonstrated the DPW's bucket truck by rescuing a piñata from a high up in a tree, then distributing the candy to the kids below. Cookies were on hand for the kids.



(above) Tree City USA flag surrounded by Nettingham Middle School students and Shade Tree Commissioners

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Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and show time is 7 p.m. The suggested donation for admission is \$15, or \$10 for senior citizens and students. All donations support the organization and enable it to continue bringing excellent performers to the stage. Light refreshments will be available for purchase during intermission.

For everyone's safety, proof of Covid vaccination will be required for admittance, and patrons are asked to wear face masks.

Following the June show, the volunteer-run Fanwood Performance Series plans three shows

in the fall of 2022, resuming its regular schedule after the disruption of the pandemic. Performers for the September, October and November shows will be announced soon.

For more information, including directions, and to keep up-to-date on the series, visit fanwoodperformanceseries.org.



(above, l-r) Matt Bednarsky and Scott Krokoff



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