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### **FANWOOD DEMOCRATS LAUNCH FALL CAMPAIGN**

(Fanwood, NJ)—Mayor Colleen Mahr once again leads the Democratic ticket in the fall campaign for elected offices in Fanwood. She is running unopposed for an unprecedented fifth term.

"It has been my privilege to serve as mayor of Fanwood for 16 years," she said. "I love being the Mayor of Fanwood! I love meeting our citizens and advocating for them. Our town has come a long way in those 16 years and I'm proud to have been a part of that growth."

She shares the ticket with candidates running for three Council seats up for grabs.

Veteran Councilwoman Kathy Mitchell is running for her seventh term. She is in her 18th year on the Fanwood Council and still going strong.

"I love and care about Fanwood," she said. "I am committed to a better quality of life for all our residents. I strongly believe in giving back, and this is what I have tried to do."

Councilman Jeff Banks won his primary race in June. Banks, an industrial designer, is very involved in community service. Along with his daughter Mallory and the rest of his family, he heads up Fanwood's annual Rockin' for Autism event each year during Autism Awareness month. To date, this event has raised over \$70,000. All funds are donated to Autism New Jersey, where Banks serves as a board member.

"I'm looking forward to continuing my service to the Borough of Fanwood and hope the residents will acknowledge my dedication and leadership by supporting me in the November 5th general election," said Banks.

The newest face on the ballot is that of Francine Glaser, who is running for the seat currently held by Tom Kranz who is not running for re-election. Initially, Kevin Boris ran for that seat and won the June primary. Over the summer, he resigned from the campaign citing increasing family and professional commitments. Francine, a native of Edison, and her husband Haydn purchased their first home in Fanwood. She was a Democratic committeewoman in Edison and worked for several assembly members in Trenton. She commutes to New York every day using NJ Transit.

"I believe I represent a growing demographic of young people who are choosing Fanwood as the place to purchase that first home, perhaps raise a family and stay a while," she said. "Haydn and I feel so welcome and comfortable here, that running for office feels like the most natural thing for me to do."

All four candidates will be running under the Team Mahr banner for the November 5th general election. More information is available at [fanwooddems.com](http://fanwooddems.com).

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PHOTOS: Headshots as labeled of the four principals.