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## CONTROL OF COUNCIL, MAYOR'S CHAMBERS TO BE DECIDED BY RESIDENTS

# Tuesday's election will stop party-line deadlock created by vacancy in position in Fourth Ward

By R. R. Fassorelli

Township voters Tuesday will be deciding which party will control the administration of the township and will break the party-line deadlock created by the resignation of Councilman John R. Foster, Jr. last year.

Presently, the township has a Republican mayor and the Township Council is made up of three Democrats and three Republicans.

With the three council-at-large seats up for election, either party could take control of the township.

There are now two GOP councilmen-at-large and one Democrat.

Of the three, only incumbent Republican, Manuel S. D'Amico, is seeking reelection.

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The breakdown of the candidates and their party affiliations follows:

Incumbent Republican Mayor Bernard G. Yarnavage is seeking his third four-year term. The mayor served as councilman for eight years and council-at-large for 27 years, and was the winner of this year's "Real Estate" award.

Opposing Mayor Yarnavage is former councilman-at-large and one-year township council president, John Flannery, the Democratic incumbent. An attorney

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## GOP: Keep rent law; Dems: Seek more aid

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Each of the township's two major party slates of candidates for mayor, Fourth Ward Councilman and council-at-large last month told the voters which, they feel, should concern Clark council officials for the next four years.

The Republican candidates, running as "The Yarnavage Team," named for Republican Mayor Bernard G. Yarnavage, proposed the following 12-point platform:

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## Council urges state to finish flood work

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For those youngsters "trick-or-treating" on Halloween, tomorrow, it was recommended this be done as early as possible while there is still some daylight. If they must continue after darkness has set in, they should carry a flashlight or a glow stick.

Residents can also cooperate by leaving their outside lights on during the evening hours of both nights. This should help to discourage vandalism on "Mischief Night," the director said.

Chief Sear advised any residents who may have their property vandalized and can identify the youth responsible they may sign complaints against those youth and police personnel will assist in any way possible.

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## Seven state questions to confront balloters

Although New Jersey voters have not been granted a referendum on the state's constitutional provisions of three years' terms for the Legislature, the voters will be asked to approve or reject three types of amendments, including a ban on gambling, a new state security program for new nursing homes, and a new state security program for new nursing homes.

The remainder of the ballot will be devoted to the question of whether to approve or reject the proposed amendments.

The first will be the "Natural Resources Bond Act" which would authorize the state to issue \$100 million in bonds for the purpose of financing the construction of new nursing homes.

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