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Robert Peoples, (center) winner of first place in the Senior Roctetry Division of Madison Township High School Science Fair, is congratulated by Board of Education Member Richard Pine (right) as board member Edward Robinson (left) looks on. Over 1,200 people viewed the fair which listed 80 exhibits by of the school in the gymnasium

Amboy-Madison National Bank Name Directors



ton School of Business and rethe New York University Law the U.S. Army, where he was awarded the Bronze Star.

of the Middlesex County, the speaker will be present. Perth Amboy, the American Bar Associations. Also of the Madison Township Elks, the Laurence Harbor Lions Club, the Holy Name Society of St. Ambrose Madison Township Rotary Club.



Dinner Set

The Sayre Woods South Rebels will hold their annual awards dinner on Sunday, March 23, 1969 at ceived his law degree in 1957 from the Italian American Club of South River. Tickets will cost \$3.75 School. Also served as 1st Lt. in each. All interested in attending the affair are asked to call Mr. Gil Fallon dinner chairman at In addition, he is a member 679-6161. A well known guest

The Rebels will also conduct and the American Trial Lawyers registration for the 1969 season on Saturday March 29 at the South Bridge Fire House on Old Throckmorton Lane between the hours of 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM. Parish and was a member of All boys ages 9 to 13 inclusive, who are interested in playing football are asked to register at this time. The boys must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and have with them a copy of recent passport type photo. A re-

Meeting Held

FIVE CENTS

Newly elected Madison Township Board of Education president William Cotter fielded his first session as president of the Board and leader of the new "majority gorup". Cotter was met by a crowd estimated to be 200 persons strong. Many of the group were teachers, administrators and other employees. The rest of the "troops" were about equally divided amongst former supports of William Rice, former Board president and now unofficial leader of the minority group and supporters of William Cotter and the majority group. Simply it was "anti-budget supporters" and supporters of the fantastic \$12.8 million dollar budget which on both occasions was soundly defeated the second time around the multimillion budget was defeated by a vote of 7-1. Proponents of the budget who are known supporters of Rice and Superintendent of Schools Brust "seemed to be crying in their beer".

Cotter in his first official public board of Education meeting "fielded" the "loaded" questions quite easily and turned what could have been a downfall for the "majority members" into a victory. Cotter seemed well versed and

were "loaded" by the opposition forces and managed during the entire meeting "to keep his cool".

Cotter asked for a "wait and see" attitude from the residents of the township and vowed that there would be cuts in the budget as far as he was concerned which would endanger the educational system in the schools. Cotter termed the school budget "extremely fat" and that some of the "lard" had been cut out. It must be noted that the Board of Education does not make the final decision, it is entirely up to the Township Council, to determine the amount of the school budget, because the budget was twice defeated by the voters. Cotter promised that the budget for 1970-71 would receive more of a "break-down" when it was presented to the public and blamed the present administration with "hiding" the facts from the newly elected board members. Many of the their birth certificate and a small questions handed Cotter were continuous repeats and sounded like some of the "ghost

E.J. Scharpf, President of Amboy-Madison National Bank, Madison Township, N.J., has announced the appointment of Mrs. Olive W. McGonigle and Harold G. Smith as directors of the bank.

Mrs.

Olive W. McGoniale

Mrs. McGonigle is the daughter of the late Oliver W. Welsh, who was a former director and Chairman of the Board of The Amboy Madison National Bank. She resides in South Amboy and is presently an educator with the Sayreville School System.

Mr. Smith is a partner in the prominent law firm of Wilentz, Goldman and Spitzer, Perth Amboy. He was formerly attorney for the Township of Madison, in which township he resided at present and where he is well known and active in civic affairs.

A 1950 graduate from Rutgers University, he attended the WharHarold G. Smith

With Army

SAN ANTONIO--Airman Harold L. De Witt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. De Witt, 3 Fredrick St., Old Bridge, N.J., has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex. for training in aircraft maintenance.

gistration fee is \$5.00 per boy will be required.

On Carrier

USS BON HOMME RICHARD at sea -- Fireman Apprentice Robert J. Truden, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hamlet T. Truden of 54 Graneroy Road, Old Bridge, N. J. is serving aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Bon Homme Richard.

The "Bonnie Dick" claims the title of being the Navy's number one "MIG" killing attack aircraft carrier during the present Vietnam conflict.

Before the U.S. bombing halt in November last year, Bon Homme Richard's air wing launched many air strikes against military facilities in North Vietnam.

writers' for defeated candidates coming to light.

Officers Elected

The Italian American Citizen's League of Madison Township has held its annual elections and the following officers were elected: Thomas Compitello, President; Vincent Sciancelapore, Vice President; David Sabre, Financial Secretary; Ralph Generale, Treasurer; John Stephens, Jr., Recording Secretary; Carmine Solomone, Corresponding Secretary; Gerard Guerierro, Advocate; Frank Pisano, Sgt. at Arms; and Dominic Del Collo, Trustee.

The League, which is open to males between the ages of 18 and 55 who are of Italian descent or whose wife is of Italian descent, meets the first member.

Friday of each month at the Old Bridge First Aid Squad Bldg. on Marlboro Road. Anyone interested should phone John Stephens at 257-4393 for further details.

The group's Annual Easter Egg Hunt is slated for 11:00 A.M., March 29 on the picnic grounds of the Shamrock Inn, Route 516, Old Bridge. Children up to the age 10 are welcome to participate.

The League has also announced that it's Officers Dance will be held at the St. Thomas The Apostle Council, 4815 Knights of Columbus Hall, Pine Street, Old Bridge at 8:30 P.M., March 29, 1969. Tickets are now on sale and may be purchased for \$20.00 per couple from any



O.R.T.WEEK: Mayor Spiros Columbus Madison Township signing Proclamation for O.R.T. Week in Madison Township. O.R.T. is dedicated to rehabilitation locally as well as world wide. Left to right. SayreWoods Chapter president Mrs. Dorothy Parker, Mayor Columbus, Mrs. M. Truishick, Vice president and Mrs. Essie Greenberg, SayreWood Chapter ORT Co-ordinator. O.R.T. week begins March 19, 1969.

And So It Goes

Attending the first regular meeting of the Board of Education this writer came away from the meeting greatly impressed by the actions of William Cotter, newly elected Board of Education president. We have learned many things from this meeting. 1. That the previous "majority members" of the Board of Education awarded a furniture contract that was not the lowest bid. 2. That the previous "majority members" of the Board of Education did not recognize or failed to account for storage fees for the furniture bids to the tune of some \$6,000. 3. That Mr. Cotter is the spokesman and leader of the "new majority" now controlling the Board of Education. 4. That Mr. Cotter and the "new majority" of the Board of Education are seeking closer public relations between the Board of Education and the residents of Our Town. 5. That Mr. Cotter and the "new majority" of the Board of Education intend to stand by election promises of Quality Education with Common Sense Economy-something which was apparently lacking with the previous control Board of Education. 6. That the present superintendent of schools will either have to resign or his contract will not be renewed, his present piece of paper which was supposed to give him tenure of office isn't worth the paper it's written on. President Cotter of the Board of Education seems to be sincere and has a of the policies and Brust and his cohorts. We fairly good sense of humor, hecertainly proved it when he managed "to keep his cool, under constant questioning by minority group "stooges". All you had to do was look around the room and count them---the troops were all out--either on one side or the other--we doubt if there were ten people in the room that were mere interested citizens---it looked like candidates night both for the Board of Education and the Republican and Democratic Primary. One of the "questions" that Mr. Cotter continually fielded was the one about "resource teachers". It is expected that the new "majority" members of the Board of Education will greatly "cut-back" on resource teachers, whatever they are supposed to be or whatever they are supposed to do--this situation of "resource teachers" came about because of Mr. Joseph Brust and his administrators --- "resource teachers" came

With Navy

(DO662) USS YORKTOWN (CVS -10) at sea (FHTNC) - Aviation Boatswain's Mate Third Class George M. Hornung, UNS, son of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Hornung of 118 Hilltop Blvd., Cliffwood Beach, N.J. arrived at Norfolk, Va., aboard the anti-submarine warfare carrier USS Yorktown. after nearly 26 years of service

in the Pacific.

Commissioned at Norfolk in April 1943, the "Fighting Lady" joined the U.S. Pacific Fleet to bolster forces in that area during World War II. During the war the Yorktown and her planes were credited with sinking 118 enemy ships, damaging 329 others, and destroying or damaging more than 2,000 enemy aircraft.

Last Christmas the "Fighting Lady" carried out her final orders as a unit of the Pacific Fleet when she served as the prime recovery ship for the Apollo Eight Lunga Spacecraft and its crew.

about because over 100 trained and well qualified teachers with many years service left the Madison Township School System because say do away with all so-called "resource teachers" and hire trained and qualified teachers---raise the salaries of qualified teachers YES but get rid of all the "goldbrickers" and phoney "no see-no show-no sense" positions on the Board of Education--this is one sure way to produce economy and a return to Quality Education. AND SO IT GOES.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

THE MADISON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY WATER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 1964

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT The Madison Township Municipal Utilities Authority, Middlesex County, New Jersey has duly elected to redeem and will redeem on March 1, 1969, its Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1964, dated April 1, 1964 and all maturing on October 1, 1999 and more particularly identified as follows:

\$400,000 - Water Revenue Bonds, Series 1964, bearing interest at the rate of four and one-eighth per centum (41/8%) per annum and numbered consecutively from 1 to 400, inclusive.

The amounts due upon such bonds on such redemption date will be payable at the Amboy-Madison National Bank, Sayre Woods Office, Parlin, New Jersey, as successor Trustee to the South Amboy Trust Company, upon presentation and surrender of such bonds with coupons appertaining thereto maturing after the date of redemption. From and after the date of redemption, interest on said bonds shall cease to accrue and be payable.

On said redemption date there will become due and payable on each such bond the principal amount thereof, together with interest accrued thereon to March 1, 1969, plus a redemption premium of 3% of the principal amount of each Water Revenue Bond, Series 1964 so redeemed.

Coupons maturing October 1, 1968, and earlier should be detached from the bonds and presented for payment in the usual manner.

AMBOY-MADISON NATIONAL BANK, As Successor Trustee under Trust Agreement Dated October 1, 1962 By ALOYSIUS REILLEY Vice-President

FEB. 14-21-28 MAR 7

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE

THE MADISON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The Madison Township Municipal Utilities Authority has appointed the AMBOY-MADISON NATIONAL BANK, having its principal office in Madison Township, New Jersey, as Trustee to succeed The South Amboy Trust Company, South Amboy, New Jersey, under and pursuant to a certain Trust Agreement executed as of the 1st day of October, 1962, by and between the Authority and The South Amboy Trust Company and that the said Amboy-Madison National Bank shall hereafter perform the functions and duties of the Trustee under and pursuant to said Trust Agreement.

> THE MADISON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Dated: January 28, 1969

By CHARLES SEARLASKI Chairman

FEB. 14-21-28 MAR. 7

Camp Reunion

A combination reunion and registration for the summer camp program is to be held Saturday March 15.

The campers will gather between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. in the all purpose room at the Carpenter school on Cindy Street.

Refreshments and gifts will be distributed by the Madison Township Kiwanis Club, sponsor of the Camp Program.

Library Report

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Madison Township in Laurence Harbor, sponsored by The Woman's Club of Laurence Harbor, Mrs. Lawrence Holden, president, reported that during the month of February 646 books had been circulated - 272 were adult fiction, 72 adult non-fiction, 296 juvenile fiction, 6 juvenile non-fiction. In addition, many of the reference books in the Library were used by students.

Mrs. Walter Hutchison reported that 20 books had been catalogued and added to the shelves, and additional new books have



been ordered.

Mrs. David Watso is in charge of scheduling librarians for the month of March.

National Library Week will be observed from April 20th to 26th and will be a "fine free" week. It is hoped that many long outstanding books will be returned during that week.

Mrs. Harry Novotny reported that the Art Group is meeting at the Library every Wednesday evening.

The Library will be closed for Easter on Holy Thursday, April 3rd, and will re-open on Tuesday, April 8th.

Regular library hours are from 1 to 3 o'clock every Monday and Wednesday afternoon, 7 to 8:30 every Tuesday and Thursday evening, and 1 to 3 o'clock every Saturday.

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With Navy

(D0595) USS GUADALACANAL (LPH-7) at sea (FHTNC)--Storekeeper Second Class Roger A. Peter, USN, son of Mrs. Mildred C. Peter of 115 Pomona Blvd., Cliffwood Beach, N.J., is serving aboard the amphibious assault ship USS Guadalcanal in the Atlantic.

The Guadalcanal, the Atlantic Fleet primary recovery ship, is positioned approximately 500 miles east of Cape Kennedy to



(G0066) VIETNAM (FHTNC)--Marine Corporal William J. Testa, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Testa of 21 Wood Shore, Cliffwood Beach, N.J., is serving with the First Marine Aircraft Wing in Vietnam.

The wing is the air arm of the Third Marine Amphibious Force and operates several hundred aircraft which include fighter attack, reconnaissance, helicopter and transport aircraft.

His unit is also engaged in a civic action program designed to assist the Vietnamese people in completing self - help projects, such as the building of wells, culverts, small bridges and schools. Equipment and materials are made available through the Marine Corps Reserve Civic Action Fund.

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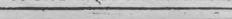
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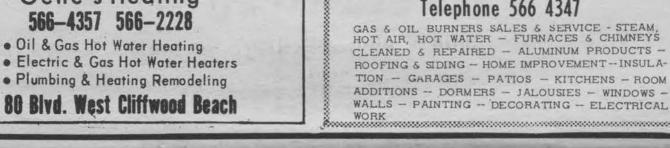






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