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## Monday's blood drive marks 40 years of giving

A Rahway-Clark community blood drive is being held at the Ashbury Hall of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Rahway, on Monday, Nov. 22, to mark the 40th anniversary of blood banking in the Rahway-Clark area. Donors joining this drive will become part of the Red Cross community of blood donors that was started in 1942, reports a spokesman.

In order to supply blood to American servicemen during World War II, the American Red Cross organized community blood drives. After the war the formal donor program was discontinued as the chapter focused its work on civilian needs. However, Red Cross volunteers formed an independent group, "Voluntary Blood Donors of Rahway, Inc.," and began to recruit donors for Rahway Hospital. This "walking blood bank" continued through the 1950's as the chapter grew into the Rahway-Clark Chapter.

By the 1960's the Red Cross again became active in the recruitment of volunteer donors, playing a vital part in the elimination of commercial blood banks in New Jersey. Many of the donor groups established at that time are still active in the blood program, the spokesman added.

Although the Rahway-Clark Chapter merged with the Eastern Union County Chapter in 1971, two Annual Rahway-Clark Community Blood Drives are held each year.

In May Otsola Presbyterian Church in Clark holds one drive, and the second is held each November at Rahway's Trinity United Methodist Church at the corner of Main St. and E. Milton Ave.

Donor groups that are still active, and have been long-time supporters of Red Cross blood services are the Clark Education Assn., the Rahway First Presbyterian Church, the Rahway Hebrew Congregation, the Rahway Italian-American Club, Saint Paul's Episcopal Church of Rahway, the Zion Lutheran Church and the Second Presbyterian Church of Rahway.

The Eastern Union County Chapter of the American Red Cross co-sponsors these blood drives with New Jersey Blood Services, the state's largest non-profit processor and distributor of blood and blood products, the spokesman noted.

This year's drive will be open to the public from 3 to 8:30 p.m. According to the Rev. Donald B. Jones, Trinity Methodist's pastor, this will be the church's fifth annual blood drive.

"We recognize there is a critical need for blood at all times," said the Rev. Jones. "By holding our drive near the Thanksgiving holiday, we're able to do something concrete for our neighbor while thanking God for all our blessings."

"The entire church community and all our neighbors are able to take part in the drive," he continued. "One immediate benefit to any donor is a mini physical blood pressure, pulse, temperature and hemoglobin count. The check up alone is a health service."

Anyone between the ages of 17 and 66, weighing at least 110 pounds and in good health, may donate blood. After processing, the single pint of blood given by a donor may be used to treat as many as five different people. And new donors will be informed of their blood type after their blood has been tested, a Red Cross spokesman pointed out.

Anyone wishing to schedule a time to donate blood may telephone the church from Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 388-1328.

For further information, please telephone the Eastern Union County Red Cross at 352-2500.



1953 VISIT

HELP US HELP YOU - Mrs. Dennis Donovan, right, the Gray Lady chairwoman, and donors in the Jan. 27, 1953 visit of the Rahway-Clark Community Blood Drive to the Purulotor plant in Rahway seem to be asking readers help in replenishing desperately needed supplies of blood during the drive's 40th anniversary on Monday, Nov. 22 at the Trinity United Methodist Church on Main St. and E. Milton Ave., Rahway. (Please see other pictures inside.)



FOR SERVICE TO TOWNSHIP - Clark Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage proclaims the week of Nov. 19 to 26 as National Council of Jewish Women Week in the township to honor the organization for its many years of service to the community. Looking on, left to right, are Janet Salowe, of Clark, and Barbara Gerson of Mountaineer. (Please see a story inside.)



LISTEN HERE, BABY - An urban classroom will be the scene when Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark presents its 1982 school play, "Up the Down Staircase," which will be performed tomorrow and Saturday, Nov. 20, in the school auditorium located on Westfield Ave. Both shows will begin at 8 p.m. Robin Austrager, a senior, left, will portray the young teacher who wants to make a difference in the lives of her students, a role made famous in the movies by Sandy Dennis. Co-starring will be Joe Gutrono, as a delinquent student, David Jules, as the assistant principal, and David Sosidka, center, Paladino, Joan Deallesandro, right, Scott Lieb and Glenn Carrick. The largest play cast ever at Johnson Regional, 30 students, will be directed by Michael Vogel, Mr. Vogel's stage manager for this production is Miss Heidi Gold. The sets are by Mrs. Sandy Hasselman and the art department staffers. Tickets will be available on show nights, or they may be reserved by telephoning the school at 382-0910. Local senior citizens once again may attend free of charge. Miss Austrager watches Mr. Sosidka tease student Miss Deallesandro in a scene from "Up the Down Staircase." (Please see another picture inside.)



CROWNING ACCOMPLISHMENT - The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot sports editor, Ray Hoagland, center, receives a plaque signifying his induction into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame from Mario J. Centi, right, the president of the hall of fame. Looking on is Paul Cavaliere. The award dinner was held on Oct. 29 at the Navaho Club in Irvington.

## Our own 'Hoagie' makes it to the top

By R. R. Faszczewski  
It is with a great deal of pride that The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot salute our own play-by-play man and sports editor, Ray Hoagland, who was inducted into the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame on Oct. 29.

"Hoagie," as he is affectionately called by his many friends and fans, has been covering sports in his own special style for the two Rahway area newspapers longer than most of the other staff members or past staff members of the two newspapers have even been in the journalism profession.

Although unable to participate in high school athletics, he became a manager for the baseball and football teams. He also found ways to help out the city's Young Men's Christian Assn., which created separate organizations for individual sports that operate independently of any umbrella organization like the AAU. Ray Hoagland thinks it may backfire.

"When I started there was one playground in the city; when I left there were 16, and we were using all of the available school facilities for recreation programs," he said.

In 1952 the sports editor was tapped by the New Jersey Amateur Athletic Union to serve as its secretary. Through that office he was able to help coordinate athletic events for thousands of youngsters.

This spring, as it has for the past 10 years, the AAU, working with the national sponsor, Sears-Roebuck, continued the Junior Olympic Track and Field Program for youngsters from nine to 14 years old. There were 81 communities in New Jersey taking part, according to Hoagland.

Because of the recent changes in the organization of amateur competitions, which created separate organizations for individual sports that operate independently of any umbrella organization like the AAU, Ray Hoagland thinks it may backfire.

He commented, "Youngsters have no way of knowing how to find these groups. There are no central offices. Instead, programs are co-ordinated out of people's homes, and there are no listings. They're hard to find, and that means fewer children are going to be able to get the information they need."

The manager of the United States Boxing Teams when they met the Canadians and Soviet Teams in Las Vegas and Los Angeles, he has been organizing the Golden Gloves in Elizabeth for 29 years, and also works

## Salary guide outlined for Civil Service aides

An ordinance specifying a definite schedule of salaries for township Civil Service employees, based on the recent contract settlements with Local No. 8 of the Civil Service Employees, was introduced at a special meeting of the Township Council on Nov. 8.

Under the accord for the white-collar workers wage increases over the one-year life of the contract will be 3% on every worker's basic salary, whereas the increase will be 8% of the base rate paid to all employees, and spread out over the entire wage scale.

In other action, the Governing Body: "Adopted an ordinance including Post Circle in the Post Rd. drainage improvements.

Awarded the contract for the improvement of Post Rd. and Post Circle to Allen Blacktop Corp. of Plainfield for a total of \$32,670, \$25,000 chargeable to one ordinance and \$7,670 chargeable to another ordinance.

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Established the annual salary of director of welfare, Louis Sessel at \$2,400, effective on Nov. 1 of this year.

Gave the \$33,246 contract for the improvement of Valley Rd. to Allen Blacktop.

Authorized an emergency appropriation of \$23,000 to the 1982 budget for the Dept. of Revenue and Finance to provide for costs of Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage which had not been anticipated when the budget was adopted earlier this year.

## JC-ettes to send Santa letters

The Clark Jaycee-ettes will send a letter from Santa Claus to area children for \$1.

## St. John's wins 'Olympics' laurels

Several eighth-grade students of St. John the Apostle School in Clark recently participated in the 11th Annual Scholastic Olympics Competition held at Roselle Catholic High School in Riverview.

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TOTALING UP THE FUTURE - Computer literacy, a program which was incorporated into the curriculum of the Charles H. Brewer School in Clark last year, offers students in grades seven and eight the opportunity to learn the basics of computer language and operation. Knowledge of this machine will help prepare them to keep pace in our technological society, reports a school spokesman. Seventh-grade student, Chad Goldfarb, left, works out the "bugs" in his computer as the course instructor, William Norris, adds his input. Chad Goldfarb is one of the many Brewer students actively involved in the program. (Please see another picture inside.)

