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Board of Education leases Brewer School to county commission for three years

A three-year lease agreement between the Clark Board of Education and the Union County Educational Services Commission, under which the commission will lease four classrooms, three rooms to be used for therapy, a home-economics room, an office, two bathrooms, and adjoining areas to these facilities at the township's Charles H. Brewer School was approved by the Board on April 11.

The school building, which is due to be closed at the end of the current school year as a township elementary school, will be used by the county group for a Satellite Therapy Program and Cognitive Retraining Program in conjunction with Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside. The rental fee will be \$32,878 for each year of a three-year contract, which

will run from Friday, July 1, of this year, to Monday, June 30, 1986.

Under terms of the contract the commission will have access to the media center and gymnasium in the school only at the times agreeable to the Board without disruption of the school system's program.

Only Board member, James E. Kehoe, voted against the agreement.

The Board also voted to authorize its attorney to file an appeal of a March 24 decision handed down by Administrative Law Judge Steven L. Lefelt under which the school body would have been responsible for the out-of-state bills for the transportation and tuition for the education of a handicapped child.

The charges were a substantial amount, according to Philip A. Miller, school business administrator.

The maintenance of both public and confidential personnel records and the circumstances under which each would be maintained

were outlined in a policy which was introduced on first reading at the April 11 session.

Under the policy, among

other requirements, the superintendent of schools would be required to present to the education body, at its annual organization

meeting, a list of those personnel records which are mandated to be kept by law and those kept for administrative purposes.



ABOVE AND BEYOND CALL - Dr. P. Roy Vagelos, left, general chairman of Rahway Hospital's Community Fund Campaign, talks to Mrs. Claire McClure, the president of the Rahway Hospital Auxiliary, and Gordon S. Harris, the chairman of the hospital's Board of Governors, during a luncheon held to honor the active Aux-

iliaries for their many years of service to Rahway Hospital. The highlight of the occasion was the presentation to Dr. Vagelos of the Auxiliary's pledge for \$500,000 for the hospital's Expansion and Modernization '80s program. Dr. Vagelos is president of the Merck Sharp and Dohme Research Laboratory.

Yarusavage appeals for squad donations

An "urgent public appeal" to the citizens of Clark to support and contribute to the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc., whose annual Fund Drive started last week was issued by Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage in order that the squad may continue to serve the people of the township.

JC-ettes reveal beautiful baby

The judging is over in the Clark Jaycee-ettes 2nd Annual Beautiful Baby Contest.

The proceeds from this contest will provide a camp for a local child to a camp for the mentally handicapped and to many local charities.

Each year the group makes donations to many local and national charities. It also supports the public library, the emergency squad and the historical society.

In order to continue these projects, fundraisers

are run each year. The most successful of these is the beautiful baby contest. A cake sale, garage sale, and demonstration are also held, reports a spokeswoman.

The donations also pay to train the membership. First Aid training is an important part of membership responsibility. Through intensive training, medical seminars and frequent drill sessions, the members are kept abreast of the latest First Aid techniques in preparation for any emergency situation.

The squad provides both emergency and non-emergency transportation for the residents of Clark, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year "free of charge."

Contributions should be forwarded in the envelope residents receive in the mail before Sunday, May 1. Checks should be made payable to "Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc." and mailed to: Summit and Elizabeth Trust Co., 1050 Raritan Rd., P. O. Box No. 769, Clark, N.J. 07066.

Anyone interested in attending the next meeting or in finding out more about the Clark Jaycee-ettes should telephone 388-3480.

Rep. Rinaldo: Limit campaign spending

Two bills aimed at limiting Congressional campaign spending in order to keep Congress from becoming "a club for millionaires and special-interest groups" are being sponsored by Rep. Matthew J. Rinaldo, whose district includes Clark.

The New Jersey Republican joined a bi-partisan Congressional group in introducing legislation that would establish partial public financing for Congressional races and limit the amount a candidate and his immediate family could contribute to the campaign to \$20,000.

Rep. Rinaldo is co-sponsoring the measure with Democratic representative, David Obey of Wisconsin and Daniel Bickman of Kansas; and Republican, James Leach of Iowa. They said some 50 other representatives from both parties will be signing on as co-sponsors of the bill.

In addition, Rep. Rinaldo has introduced a bill calling for an amendment to the Constitution to permit Congress to regulate the amounts of contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections to federal

offices. It also would give the states authority to enact legislation regulating campaign spending at the state and local levels.

The law presently does not set spending limits, and the Supreme Court has ruled Congress cannot dictate the amount a candidate can spend or receive in total contributions.

"Money talks in campaigns far more than it should and a limit must be placed on campaign spending," commented Rep. Rinaldo, who made campaign financing a major issue last fall in his race against Adam Levin, a multi-millionaire who spend \$1.7 million in a losing cause, or more than any other congressional candidate in the country.

Rep. Rinaldo promised during the campaign to push for campaign spending reforms "to keep Congress from becoming a millionaires' club."

The bill the GOP lawmaker is co-sponsoring with Rep. Obey includes these major provisions:

-A ceiling of \$90,000 in contributions for each candidate for the House from all Political Action Committees

for both the Primary and General Election.

-The option of receiving public financing for the General Election.

-A public-financing ratio of one-to-one for up to \$100,000 in contributions of no more than \$100 each with 75% of the donations from the candidate's home state. No more than \$20,000 from the candidate or his or her immediate family could be added to this \$200,000 total.

-Candidates who choose not to accept public financing would not be required to observe such limits.

-If a candidate agrees to the limits and his opponent refuses, the first candidate would be entitled to receive public financing on a two-to-one ratio and would be released from the limitations imposed by the law.

-Candidates would be guaranteed the choice of either free broadcast time to answer an attack from an independent group on the airwaves or additional public financing equal to the amount of expenditures by the independent group for its broadcast. The same guarantee would apply if

the group supported the candidate's opponent outright with independent expenditures. Candidates would qualify for one-to-one public financing equal to other expenditures by an independent group, when these expenditures equal \$5,000.

Rep. Rinaldo explained the bill is intended to better equalize the financial resources of the candidates, to limit the role of special interest groups in the campaign process and to preserve the floor of the House as the "people's arena."

It is similar to legislation that passed the House four years ago but died in the Senate. Rep. Rinaldo noted if the House again approves the bill and the Senate refuses to go along with the reforms, he will offer a resolution in the House, which can set its own rules, to have the law apply only to House races. The resolution would not require Senate support.

Among the groups supporting the campaign spending reforms are the League of Women Voters and Common Cause, according to the representative.



MOST BEAUTIFUL BABIES - The winners of the Second Annual Clark Jaycee-ettes Beautiful Baby Contest, shown, left to right, are: Melissa Gregory, who took second place, with her mother; Linsey Wirremeyer, who took third place, with her mother; Tracey

Clement, who took fourth place, with her mother, and Kelly Ann McDonald, who took first place, with her mother. Looking on is Alice Muir, center, the president of the Clark Jaycee-ettes.



ANNUAL FUND DRIVE BEGINS - Clark Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage, left, presents his donation to the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, Inc. for its 1983 annual fund drive. With Mayor Yarusavage are Mr. and Mrs. John Scherb, this year's co-chairman and chairwoman.