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GOP committee regulars defeat challengers for 17 of 19 positions

By Joan Gorzenik

In unofficial tallies, the "Organization Republican of Union County" candidates in the township turned back challenges to 17 of 19 committee positions during Tuesday's Primary Election.

Two positions were captured in the township's Third Ward by the Republican slate known as "Clark Republicans for Unity." In the First District, Robert G.

Taylor and Councilwoman Ruth DeLuca, the challengers, defeated John J. Amato and Suzanne Amato by 23 to 12 and 22 to 14.

In the Ward's Second District, regular candidate Carene Sanguitiano defeated Ann M. Yarusavage 30 votes to 27. Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage ran unopposed in the unitary slate for the male slot in the Second District of the Third Ward. He received 36 votes.

In the Fourth District of the Third Ward Fred Eckel and Phyllis Eckel, members of the unity slate, were defeated by Ludwig-Lutz Weber and Jo Ann Cumiskey 20 to 15 and 20 to 14, respectively.

Another member of the "Clark Republicans for Unity," Township Council President Joseph B. Pozniak lost the committee seat in the Fourth District of the Fourth Ward to Neil L. Es-

posito by a two-vote margin. Kathleen Toal, gaining a vote of 25, ran unopposed for the female slot in that district.

George B. Ebbe and Grace L. Ebbe were victorious in the First District, defeating their challengers, John J. De Filippo and Ann Marie Bracuto, 33 to 29 and 37 to 24.

Charles E. Grunder, Jr. defeated his challenger,

E. Broughton and Susan M. Broughton. In the Second Ward Republican challengers, Frederick Roll and Doris M. Coelln, lost to William A. Anderson and Jean Anderson 17 to 14 and 18 to 13 in the Third District. In the Fourth District Nelson Kornstein and Gloria M. Crater gained 27 and 28 votes, respectively, defeating Justin John Schroeck and Betty A. Schroeck, who tallied 12 and 14 votes.

In the Second District of the Fourth Ward, James E. Kehoe and Barbara J. Bodnar defeated their challengers, Steven Lemenille and Jo Anne Lemenille, 32 to 14 and 32 to 15. In the Third District Francis P. Brattolo, who received nine votes, was defeated by Carmine F. Cristiani, who gained 16 votes. Elsie Master-son ran unopposed, tallying 17 votes.

All Democratic committee candidates ran unopposed.

In the Democratic race for sheriff, incumbent,

Michael J. Lapolla, Brian W. Fahey and Ron Scorese were winners in their bid for the Board of Chosen Freeholders on the Democratic side. They garnered 323, 319 and 317 votes, respectively.

Township voters cast their ballots to coincide with the county's voters, according to unofficial results. Legislative candidates on the Democratic side as well as legislative and county seats on the Republican side remained unopposed.

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Clark pool opens for 10th season

The Clark Community Pool began its 10th year of operation on June 5. The mayor and the Municipal Council honored three township residents who have given of themselves extensively to make the pool a reality.

Following the awards ceremony, the pool facility was opened for inspection by the entire township. "It is our hope to attract the public to the facility, and let them see for themselves the quality and professionalism of the operation," stated Fourth Ward Councilman John Bodnar.



Pvt. Fernando Cuellar

Army Private First Class Fernando Cuellar of Clark is a typical American soldier with two exceptions. He sometimes wears a "Soviet-style" uniform and operates a "Warsaw Pact" vehicle when he works.

As a member of the recently developed, trained and equipped "Opposing Force" (OPFOR) at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin in California, Private Cuellar helps train other American soldiers in the tactics and equipment of the Soviet Union. To do this, he must think, train and act like his Russian counterpart.

American equipment such as the M-551 Sheridan armor airborne reconnaissance vehicles, which are no longer utilized by the United States armor unit, have been modified to visually resemble several Soviet armor vehicles. With the addition of a piece here and a part there, from a distance they appear as realistic replicas of the Soviet T-72 tank, the M-1974 122 millimeter Howitzer, the BMP armor personnel carrier and the ZSU234 anti-aircraft gun.

Pvt. Cuellar, 18, the son of A. Fernando Cuellar of 20 Hilltop Ave., is assigned as a driver with the OPFOR unit. His job keeps him in the "field" for two weeks of

every month when the OPFOR is in business. "Being a driver is a very demanding job," said Pvt. Cuellar. "During a rotation, I can expect to be awake most of the night driving through the desert, running errands or delivering messages."

The OPFOR fields two full battalions, organized into motorized rifle regiments similar to those of the Soviets. The OPFOR goes up against units that come here from all over the country to undergo two weeks of high-intensity training which is as unique as the OPFOR itself.

No other place in the nation can provide the realism, scope or intensity of Fort Irwin, in some 577,000 acres of desert and mountains, comparable in size to the state of Rhode Island, reports an Army spokesman. "I take pride in my job and I enjoy keeping my jeep running and looking good," the private said. "That's why I consider having to drive in bad weather the

Pvt. Cuellar drives 'Soviet'-style armor

worst part of my job." The combat battalions of the U. S. Army will soon spend about 5% of their annual training time at Fort Irwin. In the barren Mojave Desert they will meet their most difficult adversaries—the weather, terrain and the OPFOR—and put the other 95% of the training they learn at their home post to the highest test short of combat itself, the spokes-

man pointed out. A 1981 graduate of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark, the private attended Union City College before enlisting in February of last year. "When I enlisted I wanted to get away from home, do some traveling, and get an education," he said. "Right now, I haven't decided whether I'll stay in past this enlistment."

Council to discuss revaluation mandate

There will be a special meeting of the Clark Township Council on Wednesday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Caucus Room. This meeting was called by Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage to discuss the County of Union's mandate for the township to initiate revaluation.

Mrs. Theresa Enright, tax assessor, will make a presentation to Council on the various procedures and

recommendations for the successful completion of this mandate, reports Mayor Yarusavage.

Patty LeDuc wins contest

An Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School of Clark student, Patty LeDuc, won fourth place in the poster contest sponsored recently by the New Jersey's Hospital Assn.'s Committee on Nursing.

Regional requests \$5,875 in aid

The Union County Regional High School District No. 1 Board of Education, which includes Clark, recently approved the submission of an application for Title No. 6 funding to the New Jersey Dept. of Education amounting to \$5,875.

The money will be used to provide an opportunity for multiply-handicapped students enrolled in the district program to participate in a field trip to Washington, D.C. during the 1983-1984 school year.

In other action, the Board:

—Voted to approve the reimbursement of \$1,179.57 left with Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark by its class of 1978 to raise money for a class reunion.

—Okayed the employment of Mrs. Anne Graziano as a summer clerical substitute to be used as needed at \$9.07 per hour. She is a secretary in the Instructional Office.

—Accepted the retirement of Felix Mongello, a member of the district maintenance staff.

—Approved the hiring of Mrs. Martha LaMotta as a summer clerical substitute, to be used as needed, at \$9.18 per hour. She is a secretary in the Instructional Media Office.

—Gave its permission for Lee DeLorenzo, a student at Kean College in Union to do his student teaching in physical education at Johnson from Monday, Oct. 31, to Thursday, Dec. 22.

—Agreed to the payment of Dennis Bozykowski, Lin-

da Pradke and Donna Lippello, all clerks, former clerks, and Andrew Cicarello, a former custodian, for unused vacation days.

—Okayed the transfer of Lynn Margolis and Virginia Cartus, both English teachers, from the township school to Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield; Ruth Grossman, an English teacher, from David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth to the Clark school; Margaret Greene, an English teacher, from Gov. Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights to Johnson; Joseph Mark, a science teacher, from Johnson to Brearley; Camille Rohm, a business teacher, from Johnson to Dayton; Chester Kropnicki, an industrial arts teacher, from Johnson to Dayton, and Joan Dalton, a health teacher, from Johnson to Dayton.

—Gave its permission for Thomas Baker, co-ordinator of computer operations and instruction, to participate in the Rutgers University workshop entitled "Microcomputers in Education '83" from Monday to Wednesday, June 27 to 29.

—Awarded a \$6,800 contract for the printing of 1983-1984 student/parent handbooks to Accent Press, Inc.

—Gave a \$13,217 contract for summer school transportation for 1983-1984 to Ken Bus Co., Inc.

—Okayed an \$8,052 contract for garbage collection for 1983-1984 at Johnson with Peter Usa & Son.

kind in Union County," according to First Ward Councilman Raymond Krov.

Councilmen Bodnar and Krov, committee co-chairmen, both expressed hope the community will take advantage of the facility this summer. To provide an incentive, the Council has decided to open the pool to the entire community, free of charge this weekend and June 11 and 12.

The pool, located on Oak Ridge Rd., will be open on a limited basis, weekends only, during June. Beginning Saturday, June 25, the pool will be open daily to Labor Day Monday, Sept. 5.



LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION - Clark's Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School students' production of the comedy, "Barefoot in the Park," will be presented today and tomorrow at 8 p.m. The setting is an "over-priced, under-sized apartment" in New York City. Heidi Gold, a Johnson senior, is responsible for directing this entirely student-staffed play. The leads are played by Maureen Walsh as Cory, Gary Kuyal as Paul, Peter Decocco as Victor Valasco, and Lisa Paladino, a junior and veteran actress of Johnson productions, as Cory's mother. Supporting roles are played by Bob MacAvoy and Steve Rudyk. Working behind the scenes are Debby Schonhalt, stage manager; Scott Martin, in charge of lighting; and Jim Scherb, set manager. For ticket information please telephone 382-0910.

Board changes meeting date

The regular meeting of the Clark Board of Education scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, has been changed to Monday, June 27.

The time and place remain the same, 8 p.m. at the Board Conference Room of the Administration Building on Schindler Rd.

Johnson slates sports physicals

The physical examinations for Clark's Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School fall sports program will be given at the high school according to the following schedule: Boys varsity and junior varsity football, Wednesday, June 22, 1 to 3 p.m.; boys varsity and junior varsity soccer, Thursday, June 23, 9 a.m.; and cross country, 10 a.m.; girls, all varsity and junior varsity candidates for soccer, gymnastics, tennis, and cross country, Friday, June 24, 9 a.m., any freshman

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girl trying out for a fall sport, 10 a.m., and any freshman boy trying out for a fall sport, 10:45 a.m. All candidates for physical examinations must have a permission slip signed by their parents before they may take a physical examination. These are available in the main office of the high school, reports Louis J. Peragallo, athletic director.