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English tops charts for regional high students

English courses have become so popular in the Union County Regional High School District No. 1, which includes Clark, that there are 790 more students enrolled in English classes in the district than there are students enrolled in the entire district, according to Robert Whalen, the district's co-ordinator of English.

Mr. Whalen told the members of the regional Board of Education on Dec. 6 the reason for the high enrollment in English courses was there are over 200 separate courses offered and many of the students take more than one course.

Future plans for English instruction in the district include further development of listening skills and a possible tie-in of English to computer-assisted instruction, reported Mr. Whalen.

Board members also voted at the Dec. 6 session to join the New Jersey School Boards Assn. insurance pool.

According to a school body spokeswoman this will give the regional district the option of studying the more efficient use of its present insurance system and help

to look into the advantages to all members of the pool by engaging in self-insurance.

She added, however, the Board is not committed to changing its insurance plan just because it is a member of the pool.

Education body members also voted to enter into a lease agreement for the leasing of one xerox copying machine for each of the four regional high schools at \$1,085 per month over the term of one year.

The spokeswoman pointed out the Board's attorney would look into the lease arrangement, which would be subject to his approval, to see whether a lease or purchase agreement would be more advantageous.

An exchange program through which a maximum of 19 students and one teacher from Allotting High School in Southern Bavaria, Germany, will exchange with students in the regional district during their Easter vacation next year was approved.

The German students will be housed in private homes in the district in which district students reside. They will arrive on

Friday, April 6, of next year and stay for three weeks.

Although part of this time would be during the regional district's spring vacation, there will be a period of about a week and a half during which the German students will be permitted to attend classes in the regional high schools.

In exchange, the regional students will visit Germany in July, 1984. They will be housed in the homes of the students who they will house in this country.

The cost for students traveling between the United States and Germany will be paid by each individual student. The only cost to the Board will be for insurance for the regional student and a chaperone when they travel to Germany.

The plan will be to intersperse the German students in all four schools of the district so all of the district students can develop some exchange contacts with the students from Germany. It is hoped homes can be found in all six of the communities in the regional district.

Approval was also given for David VanHart, a teacher of technical education

computer science at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, to serve as an instructor for eight two-hour meetings to teach PASCAL computer language to regional staff members.

The Board's permission was also given for 15 distributive education students from Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark to participate in a distributive education central conference at Ocean County Community College in Toms River on Thursday, Jan. 19, of next year.

Conferences permit students to compete in various instructional categories and display the work that has been developed during the school year.

Board members also okayed the hiring of Irma Nauyoks as an adult basic education teacher at the Adult Learning Center to replace Joan Horn, who is leaving to work on her graduate dissertation. Ms. Nauyoks will receive \$8.50 per hour for a total maximum stipend of \$1,636.25.

Also okayed was the employment of Nicole Mode to instruct French cooking

at the Johnson adult school in an extension of a course previously approved for the fall, 1983, term for an additional stipend of \$80.

A township student, Theresa Chaump of 113 Maurice Ave., was hired as a student assistant for a maximum of three hours per day at \$3.35 per hour effective Dec. 7 of this year.

The teaching schedule of Mrs. Margaret Ryan was increased from three seventh of full-time to full-time, her salary was adjusted from \$8,572 to \$20,000, effective on Sunday, Jan. 1, of next year, and she was transferred from being a part-time teacher of home economics at Dayton to being a full-time home economics teacher at Johnson to replace Mrs. Maureen Toth, who will go on a maternity leave of absence.

An English teacher at the Clark school, Dennis Borat, was given a sabbatical leave of absence for the 1984-1985 school year, effective on Saturday, Sept. 1, 1984, and continuing until Sunday, June 30, 1985, with Sunday, Sept. 1, 1985, as the date of return.

Mr. Borat will be paid at 50% of his salary based on the 1984-1985 salary guide.

Named as the assistant girls indoor track coach at the township school at a stipend of \$953 was Virginia Haase.

The salary rate of Mrs. Marietta Van Roesege, who completed 10 consecutive days as a substitute teacher for Mrs. Rose Appazzato in the Johnson foreign language department on Nov. 29, was adjusted to \$79 per day. She is a certificated teacher of French.



CONTRIBUTION FROM CLARK - Walter Johnson, center, the president of the Clark Kiwanis Club, presents a check for \$2,115 to John L. Yoder, the president of Rahway Hospital. The Kiwanis Club sponsored a "Run for Life" on Nov. 6 in Rahway River Park and donated the proceeds to the hospital's Expansion and Modernization '80s Capital Campaign. Looking on at left is Bill Maguire, a member of the Clark Kiwanis and also a member of the Rahway Hospital Board of Governors.



IN THE SPIRIT - Santa Claus, played by Edward Wetzler, and a group of Rosarians enjoy the Christmas Party held at St. Agnes R. C. Church in Clark on Dec. 6, by the Rosary and Holy Name Societies. At the party, left to right, are: Dee Florek, Catherine Arbeny, Pat Sorrentino and Rosetta Scura.

DiFrancesco heads Senate GOP again



Sen. Donald T. DiFrancesco

The state senator who represents Clark, Donald T. DiFrancesco, on Nov. 28 was re-elected the Senate minority leader for a third year.

As minority leader, Sen. DiFrancesco will represent the interests of the 17 Republican senators next year in dealing with the Reagan administration and the Democratic legislative leaders.

The senator was first elected by his Senate Republican colleagues to serve as the minority leader in 1982 and was re-elected for 1983.

Sen. DiFrancesco, of Scotch Plains, has been in the Senate since 1979. Prior to that he served two terms in the Assembly.

He is a partner in the Westfield law firm, Hoolley, Butler, DiFrancesco and Kelly.

Compactor opens for two days

The recently-closed municipal compactor, to which Clark residents bring refuse, will re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1984, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Saturday, Jan. 7, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., for regularly scheduled service, reports Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage.

"Budget limitations are a reality today and affect all levels of operations. The residents are to be complimented for their understanding and sharing of the recent hardship," Mayor Yarusavage added.

Auxiliaries to journey to Westfield

The delegates of Clark Unit No. 328 of the American Legion Auxiliary will attend the meeting of the Union County Organization of the American Legion Auxiliary at Martin Wallberg Post No. 3 in Westfield today at 8 p.m. They are: Mrs. Theodore Rudnicki, Mrs. Gus Bott, Mrs. John A. Gudor, Mrs. Kenneth Rea and Mrs. Michael Grmek. Delegates-at-large are Mrs. William Cox and Mrs. Frank Krov.

Poppies were ordered for Memorial Day, 1984, in order to give the veterans, who make them, money for the holiday, reports Mrs. Gudor.

Deadlines changed for holidays

The offices of The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Monday, Dec. 26, and for the New Year's Day holiday on Monday, Jan. 2, so our staff members may enjoy the holidays.

As a result, the deadline for all copy for the Thursday, Dec. 29, editions of the newspapers will be WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21, at 5 P.M. and that for the Thursday, Jan. 5, 1984, editions of the newspapers will be WEDNESDAY, DEC. 28, at 5 P.M.

THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.



FIGHTING TOXIC WASTE - Republican Rep. Matthew J. Rinaldo, whose district includes Clark, left, discusses the nation's hazardous waste problem with William Ruckelshaus, the administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Rep. Rinaldo met with the agency chief to press for increased funding and speedier action in cleaning up New Jersey's toxic waste dumps. The representative is a sponsor of legislation to extend Superfund for five years through 1990 and to increase the budget for cleaning up toxic waste dumps from \$1.6 billion to \$4.1 billion. The money is derived primarily from an assessment on the chemical industry.



PRACTICING HER SPEECH - Mary Kennedy, left, a senior at Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark, was selected as the school winner in the Voice of Democracy oratorical contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. She wrote and then tape-recorded a three-to-five-minute broadcast script expressing her views on this year's theme, "My Role in Upholding Our Constitution." In preparation for this year's theme, the student did extensive research and was guided in her delivery by Mrs. Beverly Ament, right, a member of the social studies department at the school. One of the greatest benefits to young people who participate in this program is by thinking, writing and speaking up for their country, they gain a better appreciation of their obligation to maintain our nation's heritage of freedom. Some of the fringe benefits of this contest are increased self-confidence and poise, experience in communicating with others and valuable training in self-expression. Mary Kennedy has utilized some of these benefits in other public-speaking roles, reports Mrs. Ament.

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