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Many new faces take township government reins

By R.R. Faszczewski
Major changes in the township's administrative and legislative branches took place on Jan. 1 when George Nucera, the newly-elected Democratic mayor, and his three Democratic councilmen-at-large run-inmates were sworn into office.
The councilmen-at-large include incumbents, Joseph B. Pozniak and Fred Eckel, and a new councilman-at-large, Bernard Hayden.
Mr. Nucera's ascending to the mayor's office ended the 12-year term of Republican Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage.
The change in administration also brought in a new director of law, Stanley Fink of 22 Arbor Le., Joseph Moscone of 32 Garside Pl., who will hold the combined positions of business administrator, director of public works and township engineer; Joseph Comarata of 27 Colonial Dr., who will be director of public safety, and Thomas Dunn, who will be recreation director.
Long-time Municipal Court Judge Joseph Postizzi was appointed for another three-year term.
Township Councilmembers elected First Ward Democratic Councilman Raymond Krov as their president for 1985, and Mr. Hayden, who is a former Second Ward councilman, was elected vice president of the Governing Body.
Elected to the Council in 1982, Councilman Krov is a former member and vice president of the Clark Board of Education.
He is a professor of accounting, finance and management at Union County College. The owner of Woodland Landscaping in Clark, he is a graduate of the township's public

schools and holds a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Seton Hall University in South Orange and a masters degree in business administration from Rutgers University in New Brunswick.
The councilmen also voted to fill Mr. Nucera's unexpired term as Second Ward representative with William Caruso, 49, of 7 School St.
The Democrat is a plumbing and heating foreman with Plumbers Local No. 24 in Newark and the president of the Vince Lombardi Foundation, a local cancer charity.
He will have to win election in November to fill the fourth year of the term.
The Democrat will hold office until a replacement is appointed.
The Republican side for Fourth Ward Republican Councilman John Bodnar, 3rd, who resigned recently because he has moved to Florham Park.
Governing Body members also voted to adopt a temporary budget, to pay the township's bills until the 1985 municipal budget is passed in March, of \$1,142, 992.82; a debt service budget, payment of interest on bonds totaling \$40,000, payment on bond principal totaling \$85,000 and a \$15,267 temporary budget for the swimming pool utility.
In other business, the Council:
-Introduced an ordinance to create the position of personal and confidential secretary of the mayor. The ordinance will be taken up for second reading and possible final adoption on Monday, Jan. 21 at 8 p.m.

-Designated The Daily Journal of Elizabeth and The Clark Patriot as the official newspapers for the township for 1985.
-Appointed Frank E. Supple as township auditor for this year.
-Named the following as special policemen for the year: Michael Schneider of 190 Stonehenge Terr., William Hofschneider of 48 Fan St., James Gillich of 35 Prescott Turn, Thomas Curtis of 183 Stonehenge Terr., Gordon Lechner of 49 Armstrong Dr., Peter Sachenski of 19 Meissner Way, Joseph Antenucci of 135 Lexington Blvd., Ernest Pauliny of 135 Mathis of 65 Hayes Ave., Marc Kiempiety of 138 Lexington Blvd., Marc Barr of 505 Goodman's Crossing and Edward Grassle of 922 Rantian Rd.
-Appointed Vincent Solitto, John Cutt and Luz Hudak as four-year members of the Board of Adjustment. Joseph Foerster as an alternate member for two years and William Kaiser as an alternate member to fill Mrs. Hudak's unexpired term as an alternate, which will end on Tuesday, Dec. 31 of this year.

Foremost, this ceremony is a dedication to the people of Clark. It is with their thought in mind that I accept this challenge and the opportunity to establish an administration that is responsive to its people.
I thank my family for their patience and understanding of the long hours and short tempers that come along with public service. I salute my run-inmates for their professionalism, courtesy and their eagerness to join a commitment to excellence. I always believed our ticket was a collection of our party's strengths, and we are happy to see the people, our watchdogs, have responded.
I extend gratitude to those who have served before us for their time and effort.
But, most importantly, I would like to express thanks to you, the citizens of Clark, for your support on Election Day, 1984. The honor I hold today is an honor I share with all of you. The trust you have placed in me is taken very seriously. Solutions may not be easy but I hope communication and courtesy will prevail in the handling of township problems. Remember, we intend to crawl before we walk and walk before we run.

We have made many pledges, not promises, concerning services in our township. We plan to dedicate ourselves to those pledges by making Brewer Community Center and a long-awaited township-wide clean-up week a reality.
I am asking the total Council, along with all the people of this community, work with me for the common good of our township. We will run this administration as a business, where you the people, are the major stockholders. We welcome your input so we can implement the goals and services needed for a better Clark.
On a personal note I would like to say I have made many friends during this campaign. I cherish their support and I will always remember their efforts. I would like to extend to them and all Clark citizens my family's heartfelt thanks and gratitude.
Happy, healthy, and prosperous 1985 to us all.
You voted for us. Now we won't let you down.
We'll work to make Clark an even better town! Let's all roll up our sleeves and begin today.



NEW MAN AT HELM...New Clark Mayor George Nucera, left, is sworn in by Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak, right, as his son holds the Bible and his wife looks on.

Temple series to focus on Bible, diplomacy

Wolf Blitzer, the Washington bureau chief of the "Jerusalem Post," will be the first of three lecturers in the Family Learning Series to be sponsored jointly by Congregation Anshe Chesed in Linden and Temple Beth Or in Clark.
Mr. Blitzer will discuss "Betweeh Washington and Jerusalem" on Sunday, Jan. 13 at Temple Beth Or.
Leonid Feldman, a Jewish refusenik, will talk on the "Odyssey of a Soviet Refusenik" on Sunday, Feb. 10 at Congregation Anshe Chesed.

Unholy War... the spokeswoman added.
In December 1977 he covered the first Israeli-Egyptian peace conference in Egypt. In March, 1979 he accompanied President Jimmy Carter to Egypt and Israel during the final round of negotiations which led to the signing of the peace treaty.
In August, 1982 Mr. Blitzer visited Israel and Lebanon, where he interviewed top Israeli and Lebanese leaders. He was in Beirut during the withdrawal of the Palestine Liberation Army and Syrian forces, the spokeswoman noted.
In addition to the "Jerusalem Post," Mr. Blitzer's articles have appeared in other major international newspapers and magazines, including "The New York Times," "The Los Angeles Times," "The New Republic," and numerous Anglo-Jewish newspapers, including "The Jewish Horizons," she said.
Mr. Blitzer is the author of the forthcoming "Between Washington and Jerusalem," the spokeswoman noted.

Mr. Feldman is a living example of the drama of modern Jewish history. Eight years ago he was a Soviet citizen who barely knew he was a Jew. In his 31 years he has experienced total assimilation, Jewish rebirth, violent anti-semitism, imprisonment in Russia as a Zionist activist and freedom in the West, the spokeswoman declared.
In the United States since 1980, Mr. Feldman lectures throughout America to Soviet Jews on Judaism and to American Jews on Soviet Jewry and his own odyssey to Jewish commitment.
He holds a masters degree in physics from the Soviet Union. He studied for three years at the University of Judaism in Los Angeles and served as director of the Russian department of the Bureau of Jewish Education in Los Angeles. He is currently a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, she said.

Mr. Itzhaki has won international acclaim as a dynamic teacher and interpreter of Bible as the living history and geography of the Jewish people. He completed 21 years of service with the Israel Defense Forces, where he was in charge of the program by which young Israelis become familiar with the history and geography of their land, the spokeswoman said.
In 1969 Col. Itzhaki became director of the Pedagogic Center of the Israel Ministry of Education. He is presently an educational consultant to many institutions in Israel and South Africa helping to train teachers in Bible and Jewish history, she added.
A sabra, Col. Itzhaki is a graduate of Hebrew University. He has toured the United States many times as a visiting lecturer. He is currently offering a series of programs at the 92nd St. Young Men's Christian Assn. in New York City. His slide program and lecture on the Bible and archeology have won him wide acclaim, she pointed out.
Tickets for the Family Learning Series or for individual lectures are available. For information please telephone 381-8403 or 486-8616.

Johnson girls win Mother Seton title

By Ray Hoagland
The girls of Clark's Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School captured the championship of the annual Mother Seton Settlers Christmas basketball tournament when they defeated the previously-unbeaten Boonton Bombers 43 to 35.
The Crusaders jumped off to an early 14-4 lead at the end of the first period as Robin Kolveck had seven of her team-high 14 points. The team battled to an 11-11 tie in the second period and the Lady Crusaders were leading 25 to 15. The Bombers cut the margin in the third to 28 to 24, but Tony Falzone's team held on to win.
Karin Decker of the Bombers had 15 points, and Kristin Basak had 10 for the Clarkites.
Other pointmakers for the new champions were Jill Washington, eight, Lynn Kosowicz 3 and Kim Kolveck six.
Clark had the edge from the floor 16 to 9, while from the line Boonton was 17 of 25 and Clark was 11 of 21. Boonton is now 5 and 1, while Clark's 3 and 2.

Steven Light on honor roll
A Clark student, Steven Light, was named to the second honor roll at Seton Hall Preparatory School in South Orange for the first quarter of the 1984-1985 school year.



AT YOUR SERVICE...At the Clark Township Council's Jan. 1 re-organization meeting, shown, left to right, are: Second Ward Democratic Councilman William Caruso, Democratic Councilman-at-Large, and Council Vice President Bernard Hayden, Third Ward Republican Councilwoman Ruth DeLuca, Democratic Mayor George Nucera, Democratic Councilmen-at-Large Joseph B. Pozniak and Fred Eckel and Democratic First Ward Councilman and Council President Raymond Krov.

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NEW FACE IN SECOND WARD...Clark Democratic Second Ward Councilman William Caruso, left, is sworn in at the Township Council's Jan. 1 re-organization meeting by Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak, right, as his wife holds the Bible.