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Brian Toal named Fourth Ward councilman

By R.R. Faszczewski
The man who served as township historian under Republican Mayor Bernard G. Yarusavage Monday was unanimously appointed to the Fourth Ward Township Council seat vacated by John Bodnar earlier this month.

Brian P. Toal of 116 Dorset Dr. was one of three Republicans recommended by the township GOP municipal committee to fill the seat until this year's General Election, when, if he so chooses, he must run for the one year remaining in former Councilman Bodnar's term.

The municipal liaison from Clark to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Commission of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, Councilman Toal is a member of the Clark Republican Club, of which he was recording secretary in 1983.

He is a member of the Clark and New Jersey Historical Societies and is an usher at St. Agnes R.C. Church of Clark.

A life-time resident of the township, he was graduated from Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark in 1980. He was graduated from Union County College in Cranford in 1981 and is expected to be graduated in May of this year from Fairleigh Dickinson University's Florham-Madison Campus with a bachelor of arts degree in history and a minor in political science.

Mr. Toal is also a member of the Union County College Alumni Assn., the vice chairman of the executive board of the Fairleigh Dickinson

Republicans, a member of the college's baseball team and a disc jockey and news director at the college's radio station.

Presently on the sales staff at Bamberger's in Menlo Park, he served in the summer of 1983 and 1984 as court assistant to Judges Edmond M. Kirby and Rosemary Higgins-Cass in the Law Division of Superior Court in the Special Civil Part of Essex County.

When Third Ward Republican Councilwoman Ruth DeLuca attempted to move only the nomination of Mr. Toal to fill the Fourth Ward slot it was pointed out by Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak that, according to state law, the three names submitted to the Governing Body by the Republican Committee had to be presented before a selection could be made.

However, when Councilwoman DeLuca presented the names of Thomas L. Belverio, Jr. of 47 Richard St., a Council-at-large candidate in 1984, and James G. Restaino of 77 Harrison St., a local accountant, neither one could be placed on the agenda because there was no second to either motion.

The motion to place Mr. Toal's name before the body was seconded by Democratic Councilman-at-large Joseph B. Pozniak and when the vote was taken on the nomination all six councilmen voted for Mr. Toal.

Two honorary presentations were made by the councilmen, one to Mr. Bodnar for his service as Fourth Ward councilman from 1983 to 1984, and one

to Mayor George Nucera for his service as Second Ward councilman from 1983 to 1984.

Three appointments made by Mayor Nucera, to run concurrent with his own term, were confirmed unanimously by the Governing Body.

C. Wyllys Cass of 136 Briarhead Ln. was named shadetree department director, Peter Campana of 18 Brant Ave. was named to the local assistance board and Jeanne Decker of Roselle Park was named to the part-time position of director of revenue and finance, which includes the duties of township treasurer and tax collector, at a salary of \$12,500 per year.

The president of the Council, First Ward Democratic Councilman Raymond Krov, named Councilman Pozniak as the liaison to the ambulance squad, Councilman-at-large Bernard Hayden as the liaison to the fire department, Councilwoman DeLuca as the liaison to the library, Councilman-at-large Ed Eckel as the liaison to the police department, Second Ward Councilman William Caruso as the liaison to the recreation department, Councilman Toal as the liaison to the shadetree department, Councilman Eckel as the liaison concerned with Brewer School and himself as the liaison to the township auditor.

He also appointed chairmen and members of Council committees, with specific assignments for several of the committees. Councilman Pozniak will chair the finance commit-

tee, with the duty to evaluate and report on township fees to see if any of them have to be updated. He will be joined by Councilman Hayden.

The legislative committee, with the assignment to formulate a streetlighting policy, looking toward upgrading wattage where necessary and eliminating duplicate lighting, will be chaired by Councilman Toal with Councilman Caruso as a member.

Councilman Pozniak's safety committee, on which he will be joined by Councilman Krov, will look into traffic improvements at the Cellar and Lake Ave. intersection, the possibility of prohibiting left-hand turns onto Cellar Ave. and the possibility of putting up a sign on Oak Ridge Rd. and Lake Ave. so truckdrivers will know Oak Ridge Rd. is not a through street for trucks.

The capital-improvement committee, to be chaired by Councilman Caruso, assisted by Councilwoman DeLuca, will review outstanding capital ordinances.

Councilman Krov will chair the pool committee with Councilman Eckel as a member, public works will be chaired by Councilman Hayden assisted by Councilman Eckel, Councilman Eckel will head the negotiating and personnel committee joined by Coun-

cilman Pozniak. Councilwoman DeLuca will chair the Board of Education committee assisted by Councilman Hayden, and two ad-hoc committees, which will deal with any business not assigned to the other committees, were set up.

The first ad-hoc committee will be chaired by Councilman Hayden assisted by Councilman Toal and the second will be chaired by Councilwoman DeLuca assisted by Councilman Pozniak.

In other business, the councilmen: Introduced an ordinance which would set the salary of the director of law at \$18,000, that of the business administrator/director of public works and engineering at \$25,500 and that of the personal and confidential secretary to the mayor at \$12,000.

Adopted an ordinance creating the position of personal and confidential secretary to the mayor.

Passed on first reading an ordinance creating a senior citizens department which will handle social, recreational, health and nutritional needs of the township's senior citizens. It will have an appointed director and a non-paid committee made up of seven citizens.



BACK AGAIN...Clark Democratic Councilman-at-large Bernard Hayden, left, who is a former Second Ward Councilman, takes his oath of office at the Township Council's Jan. 1 re-

organization meeting from Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak, right, as his wife holds the Bible and his daughters and son look on.

United Way logo and text: USERS, LOSERS with illegal DRUGS



WHOLE NEW GAME...New Clark-recreation director Thomas Dunn, left, takes his oath of office from Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak, right, as Mayor George Nucera holds the Bible.

Franks backs cleanup bills

Assemblyman Bob Franks, who represents Clark, introduced legislation to provide training for local officials who have responsibility for protecting a community's health and environment from the dangers of toxic discharges.

"By training municipal employees to make preliminary investigations of toxic-discharge sites, we can help to ensure the health and safety of our residents," Assemblyman Franks said.

The assemblyman's bill, A-3075, requires the department of environmental protection, in conjunction with the state department of health, to establish a training program for municipal employees. Each municipality will then be required to send one employee each year to the new training program.

"Under Gov. Thomas Kean's leadership the state has made considerable progress in dealing with the problem of toxic waste. However, it is not enough to have an aggressive state department of environmental protection. We need to bring the knowledge and training directly to the local level where the problems actually exist," the assemblyman noted.

Municipal employees who complete the program would be able to verify a spill has occurred, determine the type and danger of the substance involved and recommend emergency measures for the protection of the community, he added.

Along with a bill sponsored by Assemblyman Franks which was signed in to law last month by Gov. Kean, this bill will provide education and training for these local officials who play a vital role in protecting the public's health and safety, he said.

Another bill introduced by Assemblyman Franks will create a \$3 million revolving fund to provide low-interest loans to owners of apartments and other multiple dwellings for the removal of asbestos.

The Franks bill, A-2950 would create a Multiple Dwelling Asbestos Hazard Loan Fund and provide short-term loans to owners of multiple dwellings with confirmed asbestos hazards. The loan would bear a maximum interest rate of 6 percent for a term of not more than 10 years, the legislator said. "To date, most of our attention has been focused on

the pressing need to provide an asbestos-removal program within our schools," he noted. "While it is vitally important to remove asbestos from our schools, it is of equal importance we protect our children at home as well. In many cases home for these children is an apartment complex or multiple-family dwelling."

"Many of these buildings were constructed over a 20-year period when asbestos was commonly used for insulation. As that material ages and flakes off surfaces into the air it poses a real hazard to residents," the lawmaker pointed out.

"My bill will provide loan assistance to the owners of these buildings, many of whom are aware of the problem, to help them cope with the needed removal process," he said.

"We must be assured financial considerations do not delay the protection of the public health, safety and welfare," according to the lawmaker.

Under the Franks bill the department of community affairs will develop a program to award the loans, taking into consideration the relative degree of hazard and the financial need of building owners.

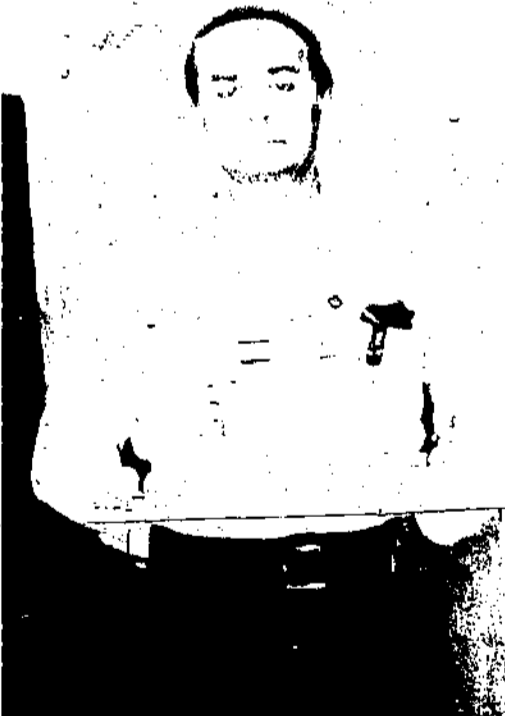
Sue Marshall leads Gettysburg scoring

Senior forward, Sue Marshall of Clark, continued to hold a strong team scoring lead as Gettysburg College's women's basketball team of Gettysburg, Pa. ran its winning streak to five in a row recently.

In the only game played during the week Sue Marshall rammed through 15 points in a 93-51 Gettysburg victory over Western Maryland. She has hit on 49 percent of her 141 field shots and 62 percent of her 39 free throws. She has scored 164 points for a 23.4 average, one of the best among the National Collegiate Athletic Assn. Division No. 3's leaders.

The top scorers are also the team leaders in rebounds. Sue Marshall heads the list with a 9.6 average.

She is second in assists with 72. Gettysburg is currently 5-2 on the year under first-year head coach, Anne Hurst. As a team the Lady Bullets are averaging 81.9 points a game, 16.8 more than their opponents.



BETTER TRAINED...Special Police Officer Gordon Lechner of the Clark Police Dept. was among 80 special and Auxiliary police officers, from 13 municipalities who recently attended a seminar on "Arrest Techniques and Procedures" which was conducted by Police Training Services under the sponsorship of the Township of Union Police Dept. Seminar participants were instructed in new techniques and procedures for approaching, searching, handcuffing and transporting suspects.



TAKING NEXT STEP... Daisy Girl Scout Troop No. 245 of Clark's Frank K. Hehny School had an investiture with a candlelight ceremony in November. The ceremony was held with Troop No. 244 and was held at Valley Road School with parents attending. The leaders of the troop are Mrs. Bonnie Powers and Mrs. Diane Lanigan. Participants, shown, left to right, are: Standing, Nicole Gable, Dana Kennedy, Robyn Mirkoff; Kristy Bongirani and Nicole Lanigan; bottom, Alison Powers, Karen Yelanovski and Karen Kolmos.