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'Swing 'n Sway' to help people breathe easier

"It's going to be the biggest and splashiest dance benefit of the season," says Jacqueline A. Rogers, a member of the board of directors of the American Lung Assn. of Central New Jersey, which is headquartered in Clark.

The benefit, a ballroom dance-a-thon called "Swing and Sway with ALA," is being sponsored by Rogers Dance Studio, of which Jacqueline Rogers is the owner, along with WERA and the Greater Westfield Chapter of Soroptimist International.

"Our goal," she said "is to raise \$30,000 to support programs and services of the lung association."

"We're pleased to announce that the owners of the major dance studios in our area have volunteered to help us make "Swing and Sway with ALA" a success," she continued.

These volunteers, who include Ron Geores and Derek and Nola Jones of T/C Dance Club International, John Johnson of the Arthur Murray Dance Studio, Frank Collins of Touch Dancing and Vince Bulger of the Fred Astaire Dance Studio, will be recruiting "Swing and Sway with ALA" participants from among their students.

The dance benefit will be held on Saturday, April 20 at Farcher's Grove in Union.

Music of the Big Band Era will be performed by "Jay Owen's Orchestra and the master of ceremonies for the event will be Ted Stoepel, who is vice president of City Federal Savings and Loan Assn. in Piscataway and a part-time on-air talent for WERA.



"LET'S SWING AND SWAY WITH ALA" ... Making plans for the nation's first ballroom dance-a-thon, a benefit for the American Lung Assn. of Central New Jersey, headquarters in Clark, are, left to right, standing, Ron Geores of T/C Dance Club International, Derek Jones of T/C Dance Club International, Ted Stoepel, vice president of City Federal Savings and Loan Assn. in Piscataway and a part-time on-air talent for a radio station, John Johnson of the Arthur Murray Dance Studio and Frank Collins of Touch Dancing.

seated, Jacqueline A. Rogers, board member of the association and owner of Rogers Dance Studio, Nola Jones of T/C Dance Club International and Derek Jones of T/C Dance Club International. "Swing and Sway with ALA" will be held at Farcher's Grove in Union on Saturday, April 20 and is being co-sponsored by Rogers Dance Studio, WERA and the Greater Westfield Chapter of Soroptimist International. For more information, please telephone the association at 388-4556.

"We're encouraging everyone who enjoys ballroom dancing to register now for "Swing and Sway with ALA," said Jacqueline Rogers.

Dancers are asked to recruit sponsors to back them with pledges for each 45-minute session in which they participate.

The dance-a-thon will consist of five sessions, with four 15-minute rest periods.

The lung association will be awarding prizes to the dancers who raise the most money.

"Space on the dance floor is limited," said the board member, "so we are accepting registrants on a first-come, first-served basis."

The registration fee for each couple is \$15. To obtain registration and sponsor forms please telephone the association at 388-4556.

According to Jacqueline Rogers, "Swing and Sway with ALA" will be the first genuine ballroom dance-a-thon ever held.

The American Lung Assn. of Central New Jersey is committed to the prevention and control of all lung diseases and some of their related causes such as smoking, air pollution and occupational hazards.

Proceeds from "Swing and Sway with ALA" will directly benefit the lung association's family asthma programs, smoking cessation clinics and adult pulmonary rehabilitation courses in Hudson, Monmouth and Union Counties.



FOR GOOD MEASURE...Mrs. Mildred Zlotch of 2 Oak St., Clark has her blood pressure checked at a screening for residents of Clark, held at the Brewer School cafeteria on March 14 by Ruth McCutcheon, a registered nurse from Multi-Care.



EXTRA CHECKUP...Peter DeVito of 81 Dawn Dr., Clark has his blood pressure checked by registered nurse, Ruth McCutcheon, at the March 14 screening conducted for township residents.

Clark residents test blood pressure

Personnel from Multi-Care of Clark, an emergency care service, conducted blood pressure screening for residents of Clark at the Brewer School cafeteria on March 14.

In support of good health, Multi-Care will provide daily blood pressure testing for all Clark residents Monday to Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. at no cost to the residents.

Additionally Multi-Care will maintain a permanent record of the blood test for all those tested.

Johnson boosters honor athletes

The Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School Athletic Boosters Club of Clark recently sponsored a Winter Sports Award program for all students involved in sports during the winter season. Letters were awarded to athletes, statisticians and cheerleaders.

Mrs. Joyce Gresco, a club member, welcomed the athletes and their parents and guests. Louis Peragallo, athletic director, introduced Louis DeRosa, school principal; David Carl, assistant principal; Dr. Donald Merachnick, superintendent of schools, and the coaches of the various sporting events held during the winter season.

The Booster Club Most Valuable Player Awards were presented to the following athletes: Boys basketball, Dan Dougherty; girls basketball, Robin Kolveck; boys winter track, Jack Giannatasio; girls winter track, Joyce Lint; wrestling, Ken Sarnecki; bowling, Joe Venturilla, and Coaches Award, Michael Prohammer.

The club also presented plaques to the members of the bowling team who had won the state championship bowling title: Ken Sarnecki, and Robin Kolveck, the girls basketball player who had scored over 1,000 points during her years at Johnson.

Arrangements for the evening were made by Mrs. Gresco, Mrs. Françoise Bacek and Mrs. Carole Hayden.

Clark Lions to hold fund drive for sight

Public support of sight conservation projects sponsored by the Clark Lions Club, will be underscored during the observance of White Cane Weekend, tomorrow and Saturday and Sunday, April 13 and 14.

Wenzel R. Dousa, club president, said club members will distribute miniature white canes at local shopping centers as a principal fund-raising effort. "The White Canes are traditionally associated with the world-wide efforts of Lions International to aid the blind and foster better vision," he said.

In New Jersey, he noted, the projects range from donation of eyes for corneal transplants to support of research seeking the causes of blindness.

Lions undertakings, the president said, include support of the Eye Institute of New Jersey, the Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley and assisting programs for blind athletes and musicians.

Other Lions projects, he added, are operation of eye and hearing clinics in New

Jersey hospitals as well as sponsorship of the "Eye/Earmobile," mobile eye and ear examination center.

Lion Anthony Mastroly, 1985 White Cane chairman, added the Lions also aid Camp Marcella in Rockaway, a facility for multiply handicapped children, a vacation home for blind children in Avalon and recreation programs at the Jamesburg Training School for Boys and Girls, a state institution.

Those who are unable to visit the shopping centers in Clark on the above weekend may mail their contribution to Clark Lions White Cane, Post Office Box 813, Clark, N.J. 07066.

Meeting changed

The regular April meeting of the Clark Township Council will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 19 instead of on Monday, April 15.

The public hearing on the 1985 municipal budget will also be held at that time, reports Township Clerk Edward R. Padusniak.

Clark schools offer screening

The Clark public schools are looking for children who will be three or four years old by Tuesday, Dec. 31 for their pre-school program.

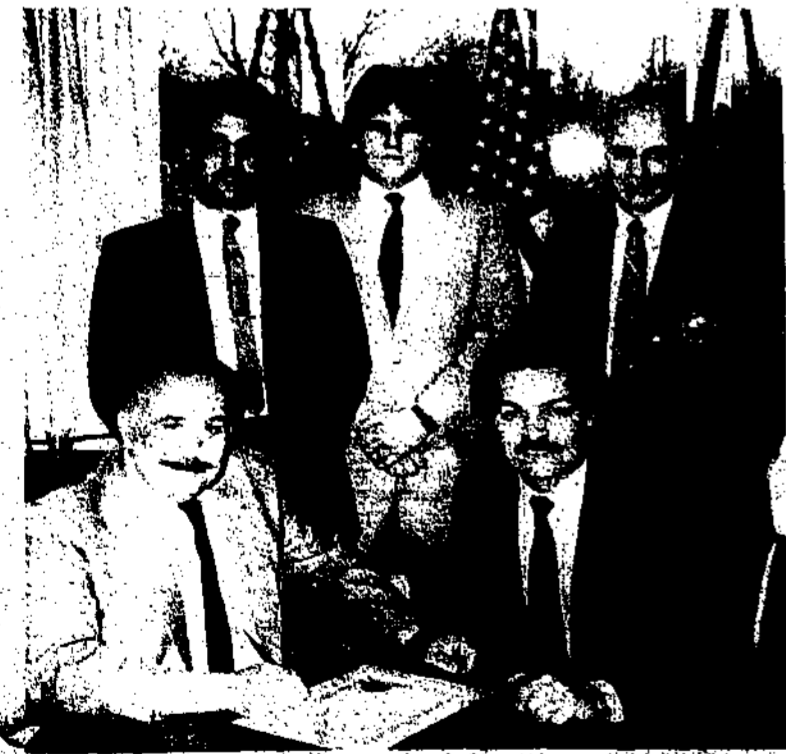
Any pre-school child who may have a developmental delay in learning, speech, vision, hearing, motor or a social/emotional area may be eligible for the program.

To take advantage of this free screening please telephone 388-6394.

BB Women to install new officers

The Tov Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women of Clark will meet at the Clark Public Library at 8 p.m. on Thursday, April 25.

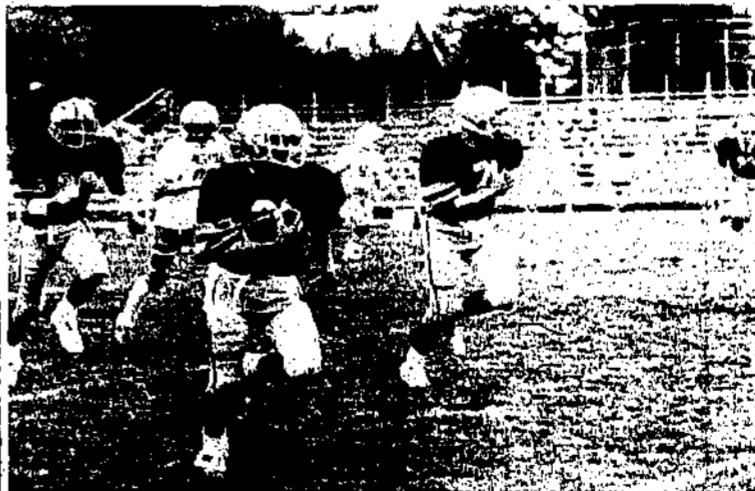
There will be an installation meeting and fashion show. Fran Turner will be the installing officer.



THANKS FOR HELP...Mayor George G. Nucera, bottom, left, presents Ismail Serafi, bottom right, general manager of the Ramada Inn of Clark, with a certificate making him an honorary mayor. Mr. Serafi donated many furnishings to the township to renovate the municipal building. Looking on, standing, left to right, are: Acting Det. Jeffrey Joy, Carter Melkosky, the assistant manager of the Ramada Inn; and Chief of Police Anthony Smar.



PRIDE OF JOHNSON... Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School of Clark wrestler, Ken Sarnecki, recently won in the finals of the state Region No. 3 wrestling tournament.



LEADING THE CHARGE... Bob Del Sordi carries the ball for the Clark Little Crusaders Midget Division Football Team in last year's game against the Milltown Patriots. Also shown are Chris Linguist, No. 88; Troy Ayr, No. 71, and Colin Wills, No. 33. Three of these boys will go on to play freshman football at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark in 1985. For further information on final registration for Clark Pop Warner Football for the upcoming season, please telephone Art Williams at 388-1704.