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## Harry Linkin to end 20-year regional career

The director of adult school and continuing education for the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 for the past 20 years, Harry Linkin, will retire from the post on Monday, July 1.

The district's Board of Education, which governs Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark along with the other three regional high schools in the district, accepted the retirement resignation at its May 7 meeting at the township school.

Also given approval was the hiring of Thomas L. Esposito as an instructor of English and social studies in the adult high school program at \$9 per hour, effective on May 1 of this year.

A social studies teacher, James Lassi, as transferred from Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield to Johnson, effective on Sunday, Sept. 1 of this year.

Transferred from David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth to the Clark school, effective on the same date, was a mathematics teacher, Geraldine Allandre.

Also to be moved from Brearley to Johnson will be Joseph Mark, a science teacher.

Three business teachers were transferred from the township school, all effective on Sept. 1.

They are Josephine Chevalier and Sherri Wen-

droff, both to Brearley, and Joseph Hubert, to Dayton.

Moving from Gov. Livingston Berkeley High School in Berkeley Heights to Johnson will be Russell Clarke, an aviation instructor.

An industrial arts teacher, Henry Hassel, will go from Johnson to Livingston.

Being transferred from the Clark school to Dayton will be Thomas Kaptor, an English instructor.

The school body members also gave their permission for the 1985-1986 teaching schedule of Mrs. Janice Metzger to be increased from three sevenths of fulltime to fulltime with an adjustment of her 1985-1986 salary from \$10,308 to \$24,030, effective on September 1.

Mrs. Metzger is a teacher of art who will be assigned to Gov. Livingston and to the township school for the next school year.

Members of the Board of Education also approved the awarding of a \$135,349.17 contract to Middle Atlantic Sports Co., a \$62,123.25 contract to Champion Products, Inc., \$5,151.25 to Tech Films, \$4,210 to Modern Line/Chalk Up Shop and \$2,878.38 to Starbenber's Surgical Supply, all for 1985-1986 athletic supplies and equipment.

An \$8,662.48 contract for repair and recondition-

ing athletic equipment for the next school year was given to Circle Systems, Inc. and a \$3,507.05 contract was awarded to Mignella Cleaners for general dry cleaning of the equipment.

The school body members also agreed to accept a \$1,000 supplemental Chapter No. 1 Education Consolidation and Improvement Act grant, in addition to the one awarded for 1984-1985, to give instructional assistance to youngsters in need of basic skills development.

Education body members voted to allow themselves, the superintendent of schools, the assistant superintendent of schools and the Board secretary to attend the spring dinner meeting of the Union County School Boards Assn., to be held at the Clinton Manor in Union on Monday, June 3.

They also approved the renewal of the memberships of all four regional high schools in the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Assn. at a cost of \$500 per school for a total of \$2,000.

Board approval was also given for the submission of a pre-application to the division of adult education in the state department of

education for \$37,000 in funding for adult literacy/adult basic education, \$23,000 for high school equivalency and \$4,000 for evening school for foreign-born residents.

All are adult school programs.

An additional proctor, Mrs. Donna Lenahan of Johnson, was added to the list of those already approved for the Joseph J. Soti Regional Mathematics Day Competition to be held on Saturday, May 18.

A trip to Washington, D.C. by 14 trainable mentally retarded students and four chaperones on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 18 and 19, was also authorized by the school body.

The education body also gave its permission for Dr. Frank Kenny, director of pupil personnel services, to participate in a five-day professional training workshop to be sponsored by the Bergen County Dept. of Health from July 15 to 19 so he will be trained to lead parent discussion groups in the regional district and be able to run a similar training program for the regional guidance counselors.

The retirement of Francis Domaratus as a custodian

at the township school effective on Thursday, Aug. 1, was accepted.

Also approved was the retirement of Mrs. Fay Friedman, a librarian at Johnson, effective on July 1.

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**SCORING WITH DISTINCTION** ... Five students from among the group of 24 Carl H. Kumpf School of Clark students who took the Scholastic Aptitude Tests were commended by Johns Hopkins University for attaining scores of distinction. These students, shown, left to right, are: Lorraine Fischer, Theresa Loong and Jo Ferrigno. Standing next to Mrs. Mary Foster are Joseph Loong and Jay Albrecht. For its participation in this program, the Kumpf School received a special commendation from the Johns Hopkins University Center for the Advancement of Academically Talented Youth. This honor is "in recognition of its educational support of some of America's most outstanding students with academic potential as exhibited by placement with distinction in the 1985 Mathematics and Verbal Talent Search." Guidance counselor, Mrs. Foster, worked closely with the university and the students to arrange this program.

## Unico honors John Gresco

A senior at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark, John Gresco, was recently named the recipient of this year's Brian Piccolo Award presented by the Clark Union Organization to a scholar athlete of the 1985 graduating class of Italian descent.

Trophies were awarded to all District No. 10 winners at the 10th Annual Brian Piccolo Award Dinner held at the Westwood in Garwood on April 12.

Gresco has participated in sports each season during his four years at the high school. He participated in basketball, track, a three-year varsity letter winner, football, a two-year varsity letter winner, and lacrosse, a two-year varsity letter winner.

He also was on the school newspaper, being named "Outstanding Sports Writer" his sophomore year, and was sports editor in his junior year. He presently is a member of this year's yearbook staff as a sports editor.

The student is a member of the school's ski club and Italian Club. A member of St. Helen's Catholic Youth Organization, he was last year's delegate to Boys State and was named in the 1985 edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

In the fall he plans to attend Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. to major in sports administration.

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**MEET KUMPF'S HIGH SCORERS** ... A group of 24 seventh-grade students from the Carl Kumpf School in Clark took the Scholastic Aptitude Tests (SAT's) in January as part of a special educational opportunity offered by Johns Hopkins University. Only those seventh graders who rank in the top 3 percent nationally in mathematics and/or verbal skills are eligible to participate, according to Mrs. Mary Foster, guidance counselor. The Kumpf students who took the SAT's along with the high school juniors and seniors, shown, left to right, are: Front row, Theresa Loong and Joseph Loong; second row, Lorraine Fischer, Nicole Barr, Stacie Switek, and Melissa Switek; third row, Shawn Madalo, Sheri Olsen, Kathy An and Deana Liguori; fourth row, Annemarie Ricci, Marnie Perez and Jo Ferrigno; fifth row, Joseph Miloscia, Michael D'Angelo, Jay Albrecht, Jennifer Hudak and Jason Pressman; sixth row, Paul Candon, Scott Boutskaris, Jeffrey Salowe, and Erich Kaiser; top row, Chad Williams, Mrs. Foster and Eric Sarnowski.

## Regional to plan for next 10 years

The Union County Regional High School District No. 1 Board of Education, meeting as a Committee on Future Planning, determined it will conduct a long-range study of the education needs of the district through the next 10 years.

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the Board desires for its students.

Therefore, the administrative and supervisory staff of the Regional district, working under the direction of superintendent, Dr. Donald Merachnik, will develop educational plans to determine what should be offered in a quality high school program in 1995.

Once the educational needs and plans are established the Board will consider enrollments, staffing and space requirements. The major trust, however, will be on the quality educational programs required by students in 1995 to meet the challenges of a changing society, a committee spokesman said.

## Mrs. Sweigert volunteer of year

A Clark resident, Mrs. Elsie Sweigert, of 6 Ridgeview Terr., was honored recently as volunteer of the year of the Union County Unit of the Assn. for Retarded Citizens/New Jersey. She was one of 14 individuals from around the state selected for distinction for outstanding contributions to the association and mentally-retarded citizens.

Mrs. Sweigert has been an active member for the Union unit for 22 years. Currently a member of the unit's executive board and a local representative to the state association, she has served on the local board for more than 10 years.

In an awards ceremony state president, William Vogt, said Mrs. Sweigert "has been active in almost all of the unit's standing committees through the years and has chaired many of the group's fundraising events."

"A dedicated, loyal and inspiring 'behind-the-scenes' worker," Mr. Vogt said, "her personal commitment to the association helped develop the involvement of several Knights of Columbus Councils with the Union unit."

Mrs. Sweigert and her husband, John Sweigert, recently observed their 50th wedding anniversary.



Mrs. Elsie Sweigert.

## Hopefuls told release dates

**ATTENTION: ALL CANDIDATES IN THE TUESDAY, JUNE 4, PRIMARY ELECTIONS AND THOSE WISHING TO COMMENT ON THE CAMPAIGNS.**

The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot will publish their pre-election advance issues on THURSDAY, MAY 30. All biographies and/or pictures of the candidates which they would like to appear in the advance issues should be in the hands of the editor at 219 Central Ave., Rahway, N.J. 07065 NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, MAY 22 AT 5 P.M.

**ALL CANDIDATES OR THOSE WRITING ON THE CAMPAIGNS WILL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF TWO ONE-AND-A-HALF PAGE NEWS RELEASES - TYPED**

## Papers set holiday deadline

The offices of The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.

So that our staff members may enjoy the holiday, ALL COPY FOR THE THURSDAY, MAY 30, EDITION OF THE NEWSPAPERS MUST BE IN THE HANDS OF THE

## AND TRIPLE SPACE-PER WEEK DURING THE CAMPAIGN.

In order to give candidates a chance to respond to any charges made by those opposing their views, NO CHARGES WILL BE ACCEPTED LATER THAN 5 P.M. ON THURSDAY, MAY 16 FOR PUBLICATION IN THE THURSDAY, MAY 23, EDITIONS.

**THERE WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE DEADLINES, except in the case of an election cancellation, in which event the editor will have complete discretion as to which deadlines to impose and he will decide which material to use.**

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Any copy brought in after the deadline will automatically be held for the following week's newspapers.

## Firemen respond to 31 calls

The number of fire calls for the Clark Volunteer Fire Dept. for the first three months of 1985 totaled 61 calls as compared to 40 calls during the first three months of 1984.

The breakdown of the fires follows: 14 house, seven business, 12 motor, 12 commercial, 12 mutual aid calls, 10 commercial, two industrial, three school, and three others.

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