Clark

'A Voice for All, an Echo for None

kindergarten will start at 8:30 and end at II o'clock

and the afternoon session will run from noon to 2:30

The pre-school classes at

Schools will be closed on

Monday and Tuesday, Sept.

Columbus Day; on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 7 and

8 for the New Jersey Educa-

tion Assn. Convention, a

Valley Road will run from 9

3:30 p.m.

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New superintendent ees 'world as classroom

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elementary grades will have the "world as their classroom" starting on Wednesday, Sept. 4 -- that is the philosophy of Dr. Paul Ortenzio, the new su-perintendent of schools for the Clark public school Dr. Ortenzio, who of-

ficially began his duties in the Clark schools on July 1. told The Clark Patriot he will try to get all staff members to aim their methods of problem solving-whether it be in mathematics, reading, writing or any other subject area-at real-life applications of learning.

For example, if a student is trying to learn about the value of money it is much more relevant to teach him by pointing out what a par-ticular article of clothing will cost at the regular price and what it will cost if it is discounted when he goes

shopping with his parents.
The new superintendent also wants to involve teachers more in skills application-not just looking at the results of tests-but gauging those results to find out what skills can be expanded as the result of student performance on a par-

ticular test.
Dr. Ortenzio also wants the evaluation of primary education, especially, but not exclusively, simed at the kindergarten level, to explore the educational program, the method of instruction-what is done

and how it is being done. He believes students. reach a learning plateaubased on what they have ip from the around them-by the time they reach kindergartenanother plateau-based on the skills they have aplied to what they have learned about that worldby the time they reach third

Based on his real-life apning the 1 head of the township's hold two in-service workshops in reading and in mathematics one in April

change ideas on how the system can be more effectively implemented.

He also wants to have a representative of the Houghtin-Mifflin Co. come into the schools to explain how the company's reading materials can be used more effectively and have stulents come to a realization of the many purposes of reading-to gain knowledge. for relaxation, for diversion

from world concerns, etc.
Writing will become
more idea oriented with the "holistic scoring" approach to essay writing, for example, where teachers will nav attention not only to spelling and grammar errors, but look at an essay as a complete product and the thoughts it is seeking to

convey.
Dr. Ortenzio believes "practice makes perfect" in writing and will encourage staff members to have students write as much and as often as possible.

He pointed out even the computer age the basic writing skills are needed. The computer will only

help the student-it is up to the student to input wellthought out Information to get the best result from the

The superintendent also intends to meet with students to talk about their views of school and how each piece of learning equipment fits into the overall learning structure.

son Plantation and

Museum, at 593 Madison

Hill Rd., Clark will be open

to the public on Sunday,

Sept. I from 1 to 4 p.m.

Guided tours of the restored

farmhouse and grounds will be conducted by costumed

members of the Clark

Historical Society and the

The Annual Fall Herb

herbs and herb-related items | society.

Sale will take place, featur-

Admission will be free

want to limit teaching only to those skills, preferring to have students prepared with

as many skills as possible. He wants to give every-one the opportunity to participate in physical educa-tion activities which will make him a healthier human being. The new physical education guide will be a major part of this. Dr. Ortenzio believes the

skills of learning to be healthier are something everyone can master no matter what their level of expertise in a particular sport. He also believes in a well-rounded education with all activities in balance.

A new guide, focusing on special education study skills, was prepared by Gayle Conlin and Paul Westerfield this summer and the district also has a new social studies guide.

Although the former North Haledon superinten dent still wants to watch d acc what can be done differently or continued in Clark before making any comparisons between his old district and his new district, he is impressed with the seventh-and-eighth grade French and Spanish courses in Clark and wants to see that students are more able to think in those

languages.
The Clark elementary school system has 1,132 students so far this year,

pourri, tarragon vinegar

and seasoned salts. Herb tea and cookies will be served

and their uses will be

The berb garden, located

on the ground was a project

funded by a gift from Ar-

noid Morway in honor o

hierlane wife lofte Domithy

Morway, a member of the

society. The garden and walks were designed and in-

available.

Plantation to hold

fall herb sale

ing dried and freshly-cut stalled by members of the

Johnson starts with 19 fewer students dations will be made about | ty to enroll in seven periods of chemistry each week in-stead of the traditional five

Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School of High School of Clark's 856 students will begin their first full day of school for 1985-1986 on

Hehnly School, 410 at Carl H. Kumpf School and 332

at Valley Road School

There are 20 students in the pre-school handicapped

class at Valley Road. There will be no change

in the Kumpf schedule

with students starting the

day at 8:05 a.m. and being dismissed at 2:40 p.m. The students above kinder-

parten level at the other two

from 8:20 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

The morning kinder-

garten at Hehnly will run from 9 to 11:30 o'clock and

the afternoon session from 12:30 to 3 o'clock.

Wednesday, Sept. 4.
There were 875 students at Johnson at the end of the last school year.

Freshmen and new students will report on Tuesday, Sept. 3.

The Union County Regional High School District No. 1, of which Johnson is a part, will have about 3,105 students for 1985-1986 — about 200 less than last year.

The district also includes David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth. Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield and Gov. Livingston gional High School

Borkeley Heights. One of the major issues in the district recently has needs for the next 10 years. Although there has

been a Board-administraion committee on future plann ing in the district, according Superintendent Schools Dr. Donald Merachnik, the committee was given more emphasis when the regional school body re-organized in April. Chaired by Board presi Vaughn of

Berkeley Heights, the comnittee has all the school Dr. body members. Sienel, the district's director of curriculum, serving on it According to the uperintendent Eve Marsuperintendent chiony, the field represen-tative of the New Jersey

School Boards Assn., sugested the 10-year time frome to assess the needs both educationally and in terms of physical plant, for the district. In June Drs. Merachnik and Siegel received reports

from all department heads and compiled from them a eport on what the district should look for in a high school program in 1995. That report was submit ted to the Board on Aug. 23, and, after the school

the next phase of the study.

Dr. Merachnik told The

Clark Patriot only after the educational needs are detertime will begin before school, at 7:20 a.m. two mined can the district assess what will be needed in terms of physical plants for desiring to continue with Chem Study on a fivethe next 10 years. Thus, the educational report is just the first phase of the study.

Another concern of the district last year was vandalism and property damage.

In a state-required run-down on vandalism the district reported \$8,862.52 worth of property damage for the 1984-1985 school year compared with depending upon the needs of the students in the class. \$4,063.82 the year before. \$1,332.24 of last year's where to place the em-phasis. Music theory damage occurred at the Clark school.

However, the superintendent nointed out 52 to 58 incidents of property damage last year were caus ed by glass breakage, most of it inside the school. He said although a ma-

ority of the damage was ac cidental there is a small group in each school prone to vandalism. The regional district will also be taken.

make a concerted effort this school year to establish more pride in each school believes will lead to less van dalism.

District officials will mee with the student counci presidents from each of the schools to get their help in instilling this pride in fellow students.

Some changes have also been made in the regional school calendar. Instead a full Washington's birth lay February week vaca tion in 1986 the school will be closed only for Washington's Birthday, Monday, Feb. 17, and the following day, Tuesday, Feb. 18 School will also be closed for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's birthday, which will be a nationa holiday, on Monday, Jan. 20. 1986.

Curricular changes clude the following: A new laboratory course entitled Chem Study will be in-troduced. This course will l offer students an opportuni-

from Monday, Dec. 23 to Wednesday, Jan. 1, 1986 day, Jan. 20 for Martin Luther King Day; Monday. Feb. 17 for President's Day: a.m. to noon and from 1 to Tuesday, Feb. 18 for winter 16 and 17, for Rosh Hashanah; on Wednesday, Sept. 25 for Yom Kippur; on Monday, Oct. 14 for

Thursday and Friday, Nov. 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving;

recess; March 28 for Good Friday; Monday, March 31 to Friday, April 4 for spring recess; Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day and after 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 23

The last day for students and teachers will be Tueshalf day on Wednesday, day, June 24.

periods. Students opting for

this increased laboratory

days per week. Students

period-per-week basis may

still do so. Increased

The teacher will determine

include the use of a com-

A change is being made

in the Scholastic Antitude

Test early morning course.

Students will be able to select either verbal or

mathematics concentration;

period. Of course, both may

In addition to the cir-

ricular changes four new

visors and a new business

education department

supervisor have been an-

ments increase the number of department supervisors;

one each in English, foreign

languages, mathematics,

social studies and science as

well as the new appoint-

nent in business education

district summer social pro-

vided for more than 500

students, and a summer evening musical theatre was

offered at Brearley and a

summer evening vocal

workshop at Jonathan Dayton. The evening pro-

grams included students,

graduates and adult

residents.
Physical changes which

will be noticeable to return-

ing students include im-

Education policies, as a

result of a state law and a state board of education

Two new Board of

proving athletic facilities.

This summer the regional

structional tool.

each for a



AT THE HELM... The new officers for 1985-1986 elected to the board of the Mother Seton Regional High School Parents' Guild in Clark are as follows: President, Charles and Marie Munch; vice president, William and Beverly Kerrigan; treasurer, William and Kathy Ehrhardt; recording secretary, Michael and Joan Maldony, and corresponding secretary, Karen Gielen. Mr. and Mrs. Munch are shown with Mr. and Mrs. William Skledar; the outgoing presidents. The gulid will again resume Saturday and Sunday night Bingo starting Sept. 7 and 8. Irish night is being planned for Friday, Oct. 25, For more information please telephone Robert and Joan Saverese at 241-1809.

Clark seniors to meet

The Senior Citizens of Clark will hold their first meeting for this month on Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 12:30 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hell on Broadway.

directive, will affect students and parents. One deals with missing children. If a student is absent from school for two consecutive days and no infor-

laboratory experience will be provided by this new mation is furnished or ob-In addition, advanced tained by the school attenplacement spanish 5 will be taught with an emphasis dance officer about the nature of the absence the local police will be notified upon language or literature just in case the student turns up missing. Police intervention may then take place.
The second one deals courses are being revised to

with child abuse. If the has been subjected to child abuse or neglect, this must be reported to the Division of Youth and Family Ser vestigation. In this way suspected cases of child shake or neglect will be in

vestigated quickly. -In addition.-the-faculty stress on academic achieve ment and development of skills for independence will again be a top priority, ac-

Rosenmeier reports to camp at Colgate Junior center, Erik | dedication, enthusiasm and

Rosenmeier, from Clark's Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, reported for pre-season foot-ball camp at Colgate University in Hamilton, Y. on Aug. 21.

He was one of 71 up-perclassmen joining 46 freshmen candidates, who reported on Aug. 18.

The upperclassmen took their physicals on Aug. 22 before taking to the field in the afternoon. The entire squad practiced together beginning on Aug. 23. Colgate head coach, Fred

Dunlap, feels his team will be hungry for the taste of success in 1985 after last school believes a student year's 5-5 showing. The vions two campaigns 1982 and 1983, saw Colgate produce back-to-back playoff appearances and top ŀAA.

"There has been a great attitude on the part of all the upperclassmen to return -being-a-dominant-foot ball force in I-AA," said Dunlap, "We feel the talent is there to produce a winner. Our success will be cording to Dr. Merachnik. directly related to the hustle of everyone involv-

Colgate will open its 1985 season on Saturday, Sept. 14 when the Red Raiders travel to Holy Cross Col-

Patriot mail now at Brewer The Clark Patriot makes mail pickups at the Clark Municipal Building on Monday, Tuesday and Fri-

Since the municipal government has moved its offices to the former Charles H. Brewer School on Westfield Ave., across the street from the former municipal building, a mail that has been provided for the rewarder at the facility.

THE THREE CLARK PATRIOT PICKUPS OF ANY MATERIALS TO GO INTO THE NEWSPAPER OR ANY COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE STAFF OF THE PAPER WILL. TIONS FOR THE STAFF OF THE PAPER WILL BE MADE AT BREWER SCHOOL ONLY, THERE WILL BE NO MORE
PICKUPS AT THE
CLARK POLICE HEAD
QUARTERS IN THE
FORMER MUNICIPAL

HELP US CELEBRATE OUR BIRTHDAY

Clark's own hometown newspaper, The Clark Patriot, is 20 years young this year and the paper plans to celebrate in real style.

We are looking for stories, photographs, proclamations or historical pieces about the newspaper and the township and we are asking our readers to help make this a banner year for the only newspaper Clark can really call its own.

A special anniversary edition will be published in October.

If you have any contributions please send them to: ANNIVERSARY ISSUE, EDITOR, THE CLARK PATRIOT, POST OFFICE BOX 1061, RAHWAY, N.J. 07065 or drop them off at the office at 219 CEN-TRAL AVE. RAHWAY FROM 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. MONDAY TO FRIDAY.



NEW GUARD ... Clark's Frank K. Hehnly School Parent-Teacher Asan. Officers for 988, left to right, Linda Montgomery, president: Rachel Abenilla, first vice president; Gall Brazdo, corresponding secretary; maximum vice president, discuss Shiel, recording secretary and Stephanie Rendolfo, second vice president, discuss ident; Gall Brazdo, corresponding secretary; Mariene Hamilton, treasurer; Elaine