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PEP rally draws three Board candidates

by Pat DiMaggio
Three candidates for seats on the Clark Board of Education accepted an invitation from People for Educational Progress (PEP) to speak at Candidates Night held on March 12.

A total of six people have filed to run for three available positions on the board. Incumbents running are James Kehoe, F. Donald Paris, and Thelma Purdy. New candidates include George Cisneros, John Schroek and Dennis Linken. Linken, Paris and Purdy accepted the invitation from PEP to voice their policies and goals.

Dennis Linken has resided in Clark at Stonehenge Terrace since 1980. He has three children and his wife is a teacher. Linken is a partner in a Newark law firm and is a graduate of the New Jersey Bar and the American Bar Association and has been active with the Jay-Cees, Clark Girls Softball League and B'nai B'rith.

N.Y. Giants and Jets to hit the court for Clark Pop Warner

Giants and Jets basketball players will square off at Arthur L. Johnson High School Gym on Saturday, April 19, at 8 p.m. All proceeds will go to the Clark Pop Warner Football Organization for the purchase of equipment, according to Art Williams.

Pop Warner football, which started 22 years ago in Clark, completed its most successful year in 1985 with two of its three teams winning both their Division and

post-season Bowl games. Boys and girls cheerleaders 8 to 14 years are eligible and can pre-register for the 1986 Season by calling Art Williams at 388-1704.

The first annual Giant-Jet Basketball game will be limited to 1000 people. A sell-out is expected, the spokesman reports. Tickets can be obtained at the Clark Sports Center, 1063 Raritan Road in Clark (phone 388-6006).

Registration set for kindergarten

Registration for kindergarten will be held in the Clark Public Schools on March 24, 25 and 26. Parents may register any child who will reach the age of five by December 31, 1986.

Registration will be held between 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 24, and Tuesday, March 25, at the Valley Road School and on Tuesday, March 26, at the Hehnly School.

"Education is an on-going type of process. It requires our constant attention. We need to address issues and to conduct ourselves professionally. The Board and its members represent the town, the parents, and the children, and it is important that representation be the best available."

Thelma Purdy has been a resident of Clark for 30 years and has been a board member for seven terms, totaling 21 years. She is a life member of the New Jersey P.T.A., a charter member of the Clark Art

Veterans Memorial Scholarship cash awards available to qualified students

Joseph Rybak of American Legion Clark Post 328 reports the sons and daughter of American veterans can apply from March 24 to July 1 for a share of more than \$500,000 in scholarships to be awarded from the 1936 Coors Veterans Memorial Scholarship Fund.

This is the second year of the program which awards a minimum of 100 scholar-

ships, with a maximum value of \$5,000 each, to eligible students who have successfully completed their freshman year of college.

To be eligible, students must have completed one year of college, have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.75 on a 4.0 scale, and be under 22 years of age as of July 1, 1986. Students must be dependents of American

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CHAMPS AND BELLS ... John Ross, Head Coach, Pop Warner Football Junior Pee Wees, had a big day in November. In the morning, his team won the Division Championship. In the afternoon, he and Laurie Forla were married. Instead of rice, the team threw chin straps at the couple. Registration for the 1986 season, both players and cheerleaders will be Tuesday, March 25 at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse behind Friendlies. Pic-

tured (left to right) John Ross, Laurie (Forla) Ross, players standing left to right, Mark Nolmic, David Belstein, Fabian Herrera, Mike Lebers, Michael Hart, James Korona, Anthony Del Sordi, Chris Korb, Jason Del Gaudio. Sitting (left to right) John Wright, Craig Mahon, Joe Stulpin, Danny Oppenheimer, Hector Herrera, and Ed Wray.

Holiday closings are announced

Mayor George G. Nucera has announced the Disposal & Recycling Center will be closed on Good Friday, March 28, and on Easter Sunday, March 30. Additionally, all Municipal Offices will be closed Good Friday, March 28th, 1986.

Historical Society to host speaker on colonial women

The Clark Historical Society will meet on Wednesday, March 26, at 8 p.m., at the Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave. Cynthia A. Kierner will give a talk entitled "From Entrepreneurs to Ornaments: The Livingstone Women, 1679-1790," which will examine the changing economic and social responsibilities of wealthy women in Colonial and Revolutionary New York. Special emphasis will be placed upon the legal and demographic changes that drove most colonial women out of the entrepreneurial world, as well as the gradual changes in women's education that prepared them for new social roles in an increasingly genteel and cosmopolitan provincial society.

Miss Kierner is currently a doctoral candidate at the University of Virginia. There is no admission charge, guests are always welcome and refreshments will be served.

Clark Wrestling Team enters tournament

Mayor George G. Nucera announced that the Clark Recreation Wrestling Team entered the 1986 Kid Regional Championship Tournament sponsored by the N.J. Wrestling Federation which was held at Westfield High School. Roy Pitta (100 lbs. midget) and Matt Pierra (100 lbs. junior) both placed third in the tournament in their respective divisions.

Spring clean-up changed to fall

Clark Mayor George G. Nucera has announced that the dates for the spring Clean-Up will be changed to a fall townwide clean-up. This change is due to the fact that the municipal budget has yet to be adopted or approved. Notices will be sent to each homeowner by August, 1986.



KUMPF STUDENTS' LAST ROUND-UP ... Country-Western Day at the Carl Kumpf School in Clark went into full swing when Mr. Kenneth Lighthipe, language arts teacher and professional square dance caller, held a hoe-down. The event marked the climax of a unit in folk dancing conducted by physical education instructors, Mr. James Powers and Mrs. Sandra Powers. Dressed in cowboy boots, Stetson hats, plaid shirts, jeans, and bandannas, the Kumpf students romped to the rousing routines and promenade to the patterns called by Mr. Lighthipe. They "do-si-doed" their way to a memorable round-up. Joining in the fun on Western Day at the Carl Kumpf School were: front row (left to right): Joanne Czapliski and Paul Tondo; back row (left to right): Jim Brown, Megan Danco, Mr. Lighthipe, Sue Paprocki, Brian Mc Carthy, Lenny Ramirez, and Kriston Isakson.



CRAIG DAVIS HONORED FOR SERVICE TO ALCOHOLISM PROGRAM ... The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders recently honored Craig Davis of Elizabethtown, for his dedicated service to the Union County Alcoholism program. Davis was one of the original appointees to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism, which was established in 1982, and served on the committee until December, 1985. He was the first chairman of the Grant Review Committee of the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and helped initiate the process for reviewing applications for funding alcoholism programs, which is still used today. Alan M. Augustine (l), Union County Freeholder and liaison to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism, presented Davis (r) with a resolution honoring him for his dedication. "We will all miss Craig, his willingness to work hard, tackle new projects and his dedication, which is exemplified by his nearly perfect record of attendance."



ROAD RACE PLANNERS ... Going over the route for Union County College's 5K Spring Run on Sunday, April 13 at the Cranford Campus are: (l to r) Mrs. Dorothy Andrews of Clark, Dr. Joann LaParla of Cranford, Dr. John Carmichael of Berkeley Heights, and Mrs. Linda Lofler of Cranford, all members of the Spring Run Committee. The chairperson, Irwin "Wynn" Phillips, director of athletics, was not present when the photo was taken. Registrations for the Spring Run and the one-mile Fun Race can be made by calling 276-7301.