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Budget cuts divide council

by Pat DiMaggio
Chairman of the Finance Committee, Robert Ellenport, announced several cuts in Clark's proposed municipal budget at a meeting held last week.

Ellenport said that business went on in four separate areas of the budget after Councilmembers Bernard Hayden, Carmine

Cristiani and Carol Pluta walked out of the meeting in protest. The remaining members of the council verified an amount of \$22,890 owed to the township by the Swimming Pool Utility, added additional monies of \$80,000 from the sale of surplus land into the budget and reduced the budgeted insurance

premium by \$150,000, said Ellenport. Corrections totalling \$40,000 were also made by the township clerk and business administrator. Anticipated savings from these four areas totalled \$275,000.

Councilwoman Carol Pluta said she and Hayden and Cristiani walked out because "Whatever we put up for them to cut, they would have nothing to do with it. They had their minds made up."

One area of contention was salary increases for council members. Pluta said that raises of \$1600 per year were approved to be included in the budget, bringing salaries of council members up to \$3600 per year. "We wouldn't go for it," said

Pluta. "The three of us didn't want any part of it. Right now things are bad and we feel why should we take a raise."

Also mentioned was a decrease in the shade tree account, said Pluta. "They wanted to put \$20,000 into the shade tree account," said Pluta. "They spent \$4,000 last year, and we felt that \$10,000 was more than sufficient."



CARRYING ON TRADITION — The Junior Class of Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, recently received their school rings at a special liturgy and ceremony. Principal Sister Regina Martin, left, is pictured with Erin Marranca and Marilyn Bernacki, both of Clark. Rev. Kevin Murphy, chaplain at Mother Seton, celebrated the liturgy with Rev. John P. McGovern, pastor at Little Flower, Berkeley Heights. Mrs. Barbara Feeley and Mrs. Karen Pomnitz were co-moderators, working with students Marta Eckert of Mountainside and Lori Barcliff of Newark.

Clark Post helps celebrate birthday of American Legion

Members and the Auxiliary of Clark Post 328 of the American Legion are joining with millions of their fellow members throughout the nation in celebrating the Legion's 68th birthday this month.

The American Legion was founded March 15-17, 1919 at a meeting in Paris attended by representatives of the various outfits of the American Expeditionary Force of World War I.

The organization has grown and opened its ranks to veterans of World War II, the Korean Conflict and the Viet Nam War. The American Legion has a membership of approximately 3,000,000 war veterans belonging to nearly 16,000 posts throughout the United States and in many parts of the free world.

Legionnaires of Post 328 will open the celebration on March 14 with its annual St. Patrick's dinner-dance, at 7:30 p.m. at the Post home. The proceeds from this affair will be used for the renovation of the kitchen and annex.

On Sunday, March 15 the post will have an open house for the residents of Clark. Members will be available to give a tour of the building and grounds to visitors. Refreshments will be served to guest 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Commander Don McArdle is making a plea to all veterans of Clark who do not belong to the American Legion to take advantage of this opportunity. Literature of all American Legion pro-

grams will be available. Commander McArdle would like to use past Commander John Specht's theme of two years ago "Get Involved" which was a success. The membership of the Post has grown to the present total of 445. He also

said not only is membership a vital segment of the Legion, programs for the children, the hospitalized veterans, Special Olympics and community projects, will always be first priorities.

In conjunction with the College, the Charles A. Dana Foundation has provided 49 paid internships for qualified students during this academic year. The program will continue for



CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE...The Clark School System is developing a Bicentennial Committee to honor the U.S. Constitution in its birthday celebration. Citizens from the community have been invited to participate as well as staff members from the schools. At the meeting held at the C.H. Kumpf School, the following attended: Seated: Stephanie Pandolfo, F.K. Hehny PTA President; Lace Cassidy, Preventive/Remedial Skills Instructor, F.K. Hehny School; Philip Foster, Principal, Valley Road School; Barbara Delnero, third grade teacher, Valley Road School; Stanley Fink, Director of Law, Clark; Donald Paris, School Board Vice President; David Hart, Principal, C.H. Kumpf School; Municipal Judge Joseph Postlitz; Charles Bertsch, Union County Chamber of Commerce; Edward Muzik, 5th grade teacher, Valley Road School. Seated on the second table is Walter Boright, Chairman of the Subcommittee; Margarita Vovnick, 5th grade teacher, F.K. Hehny School; Susan Milkaza, Principal, F.K. Hehny School; and Muriel Cassido, Chairperson of the Committee. Serving on this committee also is Dr. Paul J. Ortensio, Superintendent of Schools. The next meeting of the group will be held on Wednesday, April 1, at 7 p.m. at the C.H. Kumpf Library.

the next two and a half years. The Dana Foundation encourages colleges to provide intellectually rewarding work-study opportunities related to students' academic interests. These internships...programs provide students with useful work experience while decreasing the amount of money that they must borrow to fund their education.

Anne works in cooperation with Myra Love to find missing or necessary sources in the German literature collection. She then turns the list of primary and secondary texts into a proposal to the College to purchase these books to supplement the library's collection.

Anne, a senior at the College who plans to attend graduate school to study international marketing, really appreciates the Dana program. "I really love the independence that I get from my internship," she says. Anne also works as a teaching assistant and is a member of a German lyric circle.

Founded in 1885, Bryn Mawr College was the first women's college to offer both graduate and undergraduate degrees to women. It continues today to offer more than 30 programs in the liberal arts and sciences to its 1150 undergraduate women and to the more than 300 students in its two coeducational graduate schools.

Located 11 miles west of Philadelphia, the campus features buildings ranging from the first examples of Collegiate Gothic architecture to the most modern designs. Bryn Mawr enriches its curriculum with consortial programs with Haverford and Swarthmore Colleges and the University of Pennsylvania.

Kaminsky and Peti graduate from school of nursing
Judith Kaminsky and Sherree Peti, both of Clark, recently graduated from Elizabeth General Medical Center School of Nursing.

Ms. Peti received honors for overall excellence in nursing with the Highest Academic Achievement Award. She was also the recipient of the General Proficiency and Psychiatric Nursing Awards.

Ms. Kaminsky received the "Parent-Child Health Nursing Award."

The German Language Club of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, under the guidance of German instructor Kathryn

Zigmont, will hold a paper drive on Saturday, March 7 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the high school parking lot.

Paper drive

ALJ teacher nominated for national award

by Pat DiMaggio
Mrs. Judith Rothwell, a mathematics teacher at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark, has been nominated for the 1987 Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching. This award is administered from the President of the United States by the National Science Foundation and recognizes outstanding teachers of science and mathematics.

Mrs. Rothwell, a teacher at Johnson for the past 17 years, has been involved in the writing of various mathematics curricula and has worked in summer workshops for the Algebra I, Algebra II and Math I courses. She has served on

the Principal's Advisory Committee and as a senior class adviser. She is also the recipient of two National Science Foundation Grants.

Nominations for the 1987 Award for Excellence in Science and Mathematics Teaching are reviewed by a selection committee of science and mathematics educators.

State level awards will be announced in May and the national winner will be named in September.

The award consists of a grant to the teacher's school to be spent under the teacher's direction, and recognition in Washington, D.C. with an honors workshop, awards ceremony and presidential citation.

Galiszewski candidate in Princeton University program

by Pat DiMaggio
Thomas Galiszewski, a science teacher at Arthur L. Johnson High School, has been nominated by the Union County Regional District as a candidate in the teacher recognition program sponsored by Princeton University. Galiszewski is now eligible to become one of four teachers cited by Princeton University for contributions to the lives of secondary school students.



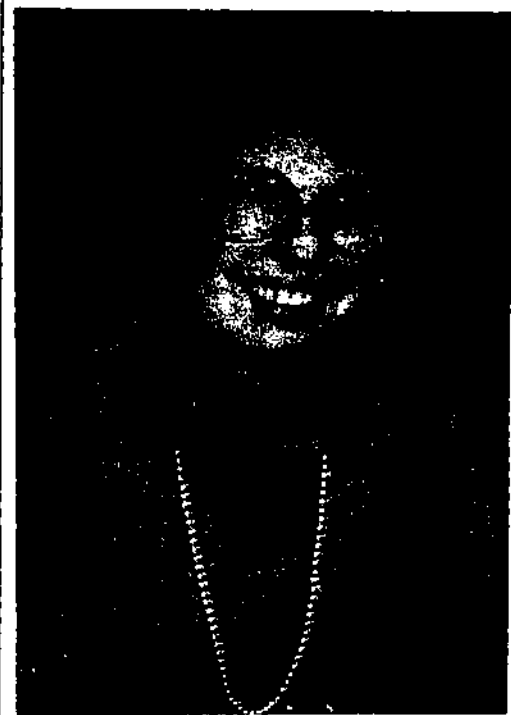
OUTSTANDING TEACHER... Stephen Signa, second from left, Social Studies Teacher at Arthur L. Johnson, was honored at a Regional District Board Meeting after being selected as the outstanding teacher at the school. Pictured with him are (l-r) Melvin D. Altman, Clark representative to the Regional Board, Board

Member Virginia R. Muskus, Representative from Clark; and Principal David L. Carl. Mr. Signa, selected by a district panel in accordance with the Governors' Teacher Recognition Program, has taught at Arthur L. Johnson for 15 years.

Vincenti awarded internship at Bryn Mawr College

Anne Karen Vincenti, daughter of William and Marilyn Vincenti of Clark, has been awarded a Dana Foundation Internship at Bryn Mawr College, Pa. She is working under the supervision of Myra Love, assistant professor of German, supplementing the library's German literature collection.

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Board of Ed candidates to speak at forum

People for Educational Progress (PEP) will sponsor a Candidate's Night on Wednesday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the Kumpf School multi-purpose room. Refreshments will be served. The public will be afforded the opportunity to hear

the views and goals of the six candidates running for the three Clark Board of Education seats. The citizens of Clark are urged to attend this meeting. The election will be held April 7.



Thomas Galiszewski
Galiszewski candidate in Princeton University program