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Council commends four citizens

by Pat DiMaggio

The Clark Municipal Council approved resolutions commending township residents at their regular meeting held on March 16.

Harry Levinson was honored for community service and for his assistance in the organization and formulation of the Clark Senior Citizen Center and

with the Department of Recreation in planning and monitoring athletic and youth programs during both daytime and evenings. Levinson was also active in soliciting voter registration and with the Clark Tenants Association. He served as the Assistant Director of Emergency Management within the Department of Public Safety for approximately two years.

Also honored was George W. Crater who was appointed to the Planning Board in 1976 and served through 1985 and who served as vice president for nine years. Crater was cited for his role in the Township's development including the preparation and adoption of the Clark Township Comprehensive Master Plan.

Edward M. Veltre served on the Planning Board from 1973 to 1986, acting as president from 1976 to 1986. Veltre was commended for his "diligence and contributions" in reviewing subdivisions and site plans and "giving tirelessly to the revision of the Zoning Ordinances."

Max (Mickey Valenti) Rabinowitz was honored for his accomplishments as an amateur and professional boxer. Rabinowitz won all eight amateur and twenty of his twenty-four professional boxing bouts and presently serves as second vice president of the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame, a vice President of the Union County Boxers Association, a vice president in the Veterans Boxers Social Club of Belleville, a vice chairman of both ring number 25 and the Veterans Boxers Social Club of Kearney. Rabinowitz is also a member of the National Veterans Boxers Association.

In other business, the council:

—Approved payment in the amount of \$110.50 to Fink and Rosner for legal services rendered in the case of Arnold vs. Risso.

—Authorized a pay increment in the sum of \$500 for Communications Operator, Charlene Hadley.

—Refunded the Homestead Rebate in the amount of \$178.88 to Nikolaos and Eileen Soaris.

—Amended a resolution to indicate the color of uniforms or clothing for the personnel of the Road Department, excluding management personnel, to be blue.

—Amended a resolution to extend the moratorium against the installation of satellite dish antennae to July 20.

—Urged support of an Assembly resolution which proposes an amendment to the Constitution which would require the State to provide funding for any services or programs which are hereafter mandated by State Law for delivery or performance by counties or municipalities.



NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST . . . David Carl, Principal of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School announced that Tracy Albrecth of 118 Tudor Drive has been named as a National Merit Finalist for 1987. Tracy joins a select group representing fewer than half of one

percent of American high school seniors. She is a candidate for designation as a National Merit Scholar. Procedures for selecting 6000 National Merit Scholars from 13,500 qualified finalists will be completed in April. Principal Carl is pictured congratulating Tracy.

Clark resident appointed director of Dept. of Public Safety

William Tisdall has been named Director of the Union County Department of Public Safety, Donald F. Anderson, Union County Manager, announced this week.

Tisdall, 52, of Clark, has been the acting director of the department since January 1986, and took over permanently on March 17, at an annual salary of \$48,600.

Prior to that he was Captain on the Union County Police Department for over four years.

"I am extremely pleased with the effort Bill has given as acting director, and I know that he will give even more to the department now that he will be the director," Anderson said.

Tisdall came to this country from Ireland in 1956, served in the U.S. Army and has taken almost 20 police training courses at various institutions, including police supervision, drug enforcement, civil disturbances and seminars on terrorism and hostage taking.

"The Irish have a proud tradition in law enforcement in our country, and what better day for Bill to begin his duties than on St. Patrick's Day," Anderson said.

"I am delighted to have been appointed as Director of the Public Safety Department and very happy that someone from the Police Division was chosen," Tisdall said.

"I will continue to do my

job to the best of my ability, as I believe I have done this past year."

The Union County Department of Public Safety oversees the Union County Police and Security Divisions, Correctional Services, the Office of Emergency Management, Medical Examiner's Office, Weights and Measures and the Division of Consumer Protection.

Tisdall and his wife of almost 24 years, Joan, live in Clark and have four children: William, 14, a freshman at Arthur L. Johnson High; Michael, 20, a student at Union County College; Eileen, 22, a senior at Seton Hall University and Maureen, 23, a nurse in Philadelphia.

Pool appointments and rates named

by Pat DiMaggio

Appointments for the Clark Community Pool for 1987 were made Monday by the Municipal Council. The following appointments receive no additional compensation: Auditor, Frank E. Supple; Purchasing Authority, Joseph J. Monaco; Treasurer, Jeanne Decker.

Also appointed, compensation for services to be provided in the 1987 Swimming Pool Utility, were: Pool Director, Thomas Paduano; Assistant Managers, Lisa Haas and James Wilson; Budget Control, Charlotte Liotme; Membership Control, Geraldine Stachelski. Rates set by the council include: Family, \$220 (resident), \$250 (non-resident); Husband and Wife, \$190 (resident), \$210 (non-resident); Parent and Child, \$190 (resident), \$210 (non-resident); Individual, \$115 (resident), \$130 (non-resident); Senior Citizen (62 by 6/1/87), \$50 (resident), \$60 (non-resident); Late Fee (after 6/1/87), \$10 (resident and non-resident).



AN EYE FOR DETAIL . . . The power of language was put into practice by Clark's Kumpf Middle School seventh graders in Mrs. Anita Klaiman's language arts class. Using detailed physical descriptions and personality traits, the pupils created an array of unusual characters which they then illustrated in poster form. Their "Rogues' Gallery" reflected the students' vivid imaginations brought into lifelike focus by effective language skills and creative artwork, explained Mrs. Klaiman. Left to right are: Robert Tyra, Michael Basile, Andrew Schieferstein, and Justin LaSala checking the wanted posters which fit the descriptions they've written.



BOARD APPOINTMENT . . . Florence Bluma, right, of Union, was appointed recently to a three-year term on the Union County Advisory Board on the Handicapped, announced James J. Fulcomer, left, Union County Freeholder and liaison to the board. Pictured also is Florence's seeing eye dog, Ronny, a Golden Retriever.



THE SWEARING IN CEREMONY of the Clark Public Library Board of Trustees took place at the library recently with new members sworn in for five-year terms. Shown above is new Trustee Rochelle Heyman being sworn in by Mayor George Nucera. Pictured below during the swearing in are Robert Ellenport, Council Liaison; Sandra K. Jones, Library Director; Charles McNulty, President of the Board; Paul Hymanson, Treasurer; Mary Ann Sopko, Vice President; Mayor Nucera; and Rochelle Heyman. Missing is new member Robert Steffaro.



Special needs children offered school program

The Clark School District is seeking special needs children who will be three or four on or before November 15, 1987 for its preschool handicapped program.

The special needs preschool child demonstrates delays in cognition, speech, language, vision, hearing, motor or a social-emotional

area which may inhibit normal educational development.

Some of the characteristics the special needs child may have are: —Excessive clumsiness or poor coordination. —Delayed speech and language. —Poor response to sound or visual materials.

—Seems not to understand words.

—Avoids play or is unable to play.

—Has serious behavior problems.

A free screening will be available in early May 1987 to determine eligibility. Call 388-6393 by April 10 for screening information.

Bockbierfest slated in Clark

On Saturday evening, March 28, at 8 p.m., the Deutscher Club of Clark, Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will hold a Bockbierfest. Traditional dark beer will be available and the kitchen will serve bockwurst, potatoe salad and sauerkraut. Music will be featured by Norbert Ludewig. Donation is \$2 for members; non-members, \$3.

Robinson Plantation to reopen April 5

The historic Dr. William Robinson Plantation and Museum will reopen on Sunday, April 5, from 1 to 4 p.m., and will welcome visitors for guided tours on the first Sunday of each month for the remainder of the year. There is no charge for admission. The restored farmhouse, located at 593 Madison Hill Rd., Clark, was built by Dr. William Robinson, physician and surgeon who emigrated with his family

from Scotland to this area in 1686.

Eileen O'Shea, member of the Clark Historical Society and resident of Westfield will demonstrate the Colonial art of tape loom weaving, using an antique loom. Tape was dyed in many colors and used in early households for curtains, aprons and clothing.

The Museum Shop will offer a variety of articles handcrafted by members and friend of the Society.