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**CROSSING GUARDS HONORED.**...A luncheon was held recently to honor Clark Crossing Guards. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to the following guards for outstanding service and low sick time: Front row, from left, Harold Hodges, 15 years of service; Elmira MacVicar, 18 years service; Grace Vadala, 28

years service; Anna Frimn, 22 years service; and Anna Razwilovich, 15 years service. Sgt. Albert Williams of the Traffic Bureau, rear left, presented awards. Police Officer Timothy George is at right. The Brewer School luncheon was attended by Chief Smar, Capt. Danco, and members of the Police Traffic Bureau.

## Judge rejects bids for Hyatt

by Pat DiMaggio  
Hyatt Clark Industries (HCI) will be back in court when it files a lawsuit this week against the General Motors Corporation to force the company to pay clean-up costs of the oil-contaminated Hyatt property.

HCI filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code last January and was due to be sold at an auction held on July 14.

The employee-owned company made roller bearings for the automobile industry and was faced with bankruptcy when General Motors, their major creditor, withdrew a three-year contract.

Hartz Mountain Industries, Secaucus, had indicated to Clark Township officials that they would offer \$26 million for the

85-acre site located in Clark and Cranford for a mixed use development.

Before the auction was held, Hyatt was told they would be responsible for cleaning up their property to comply with the Environmental Cleanup Responsibility Act. Costs of the clean-up have been estimated as high as \$18 million.

The auction, held in Trenton before Bankruptcy Judge William H. Grindin, drew only two bidders with Hartz Mountain Industries offering a high bid of \$17 million for the buildings and land on Raritan Road. Another company offered \$16 million for the land, buildings and machinery. Judge Grindin rejected both bids as not being high enough to satisfy HCI creditors.

Explaining the rejected low bids, Clark Business Administrator Joseph Monaco said Judge Grindin will wait to see what HCI creditors and General Motors will plan to do. "Hartz Industries is still interested," said Monaco. "But the key factor of the low bids is that when one guy offers \$16 million for the lock, stock and barrel, the other guy is not going to

offer \$25 million for just the land and the building."

One plan is for HCI to institute litigation to force General Motors to be responsible for the major burden of the pollution clean-up problem.

"They are responsible for 90 percent or more of the pollution for the half century they ran that plant," said HCI chairman and special counsel Alan

Lowenstein. "We definitely have to resolve the clean-up responsibility, who will do it and a time table for completion. Until it is resolved we will not be able to have responsible bidders come in."

General Bearing Corporation, New York, was the successful bidder to purchase machinery equipment and remaining inventory with a bid of \$5.4 million.

## Council approves \$500G for road repairs

by Pat DiMaggio  
The Clark Municipal Council approved ordinances for first reading including a bond ordinance to authorize the 1987 Road Improvement Program at their regular meeting held on July 20.

A resolution was approved increasing the amount of the bond ordinance to \$500,000 for the repair and paving of township streets.

After heated debate by the council, a list of streets was formulated including

sections of Acken Drive, Emerson Road, Tudor Drive, Willow Way, Maurice Avenue, Mildred Terrace, Hutchinson Street, Blake Drive, Ridge Road, Rutgers Road, Evans Terrace, Kenneth Place, King Street, Coldevin Road and the Municipal Building parking lot, Riverside Drive was removed from the list.

An ordinance amending an ordinance entitled "Fences and Walls" was defeated by the council with Council members

William Caruso, Fred Eckel, Robert Ellenport and Joseph Pozniak dissenting.

Introduced by Councilman Bernard Hayden, the ordinance specified that all fences and walls erected in the township must have the finished side facing the adjacent property owner.

Hayden also explained that the ordinance prohibited fences or walls from being constructed with barbed wire or spikes or in any way to be dangerous to humans or animals.

Voicing against the ordinance, Robert Ellenport explained that although he was in sympathy with homeowners who had complained about their neighbors' fences, he thought the wording of the ordinance was too broad. "I think there are certain instances in which barbed wire can be applied, for example, in industry when sufficient notice is given.

The council also approved a bond ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a new fire engine pumper, to appropriate \$250,000 and to issue bonds for the purchase and an ordinance to authorize the improvement of Brewer School with \$190,000 in bonds.

Councilman William Caruso said the improvements would consist of upgrading the facility being used as Clark's administration offices and to provide a new roof and air conditioning system for the library.

A public hearing and possible final adoption for these ordinances will be held on September 8 at 7:45 p.m. before the council's regularly scheduled executive meeting.

## Negotiations to continue between CEA and Board of Ed

by Pat DiMaggio  
Clark Education Association (CEA) members met with a mediator from the Public Employees Relations Committee on July 20 to try to settle differences with the Clark Board of Education.

Dolores Downs, vice president of the CEA, said mediator Gloria Korman set another meeting in August to continue negotiations with the board. The teachers' contract expired on June 30, 1987.

The CEA is a bargaining unit for the district's teachers, support staff, including secretaries, custodians and maintenance personnel, as well as coaches and other co-curricular groups.

Downs said that although negotiations were in progress, the board declared an impasse after only meeting six times, a total of twenty hours.

The CEA has adopted sanctions that are presently in effect and will continue when school resumes in September, according to Downs. Teachers will not be available for any summer duties including curriculum writing and the preparation of classrooms for September.

In September there will be no after-school activities involving teachers nor will teachers participate in district-wide curriculum committees. "Although, we are hopeful it won't come to that," Downs said.

## Open house is planned at museum

An open house at the Dr. William Robinson Plantation, 593 Madison Hill Rd. in Clark, on Sunday August 2, will feature an outstanding collection of pressed flower arrangements under glass. Dorothy Smith of Fanwood, will demonstrate the art of pressing flowers for display in frames.

Guided tours of the restored farmhouse, built by Dr. William Robinson, a physician and surgeon who emigrated to New Jersey from Scotland with his family in 1681, will be conducted by costumed members of the Clark Historical Society from 1 till 4 p.m.

There is never any charge for admission. The Museum Shop will be open.



## Clark Lions install

At the June 22 Clark Lions Club dinner meeting at the Ramada Inn in Clark, the new officers for the 1987-88 year were installed by former Lion Governor, Harold Woodward of District 16E.

The officers are: President, John T. Farnella; First Vice-President, Charles Przywara; Second Vice-President, Thomas Ringwood, Sr.; Third Vice-President, George McCutcheon; Secretary, Stan Przywara; Treasurer, Wenzel Dousa; Financial Secretary, Anthony G.

Mastroly; Lion Tamer, Thaddeus Kumor; Tail Twister, Norman Goodman; One-Year Directors, Martin Scars; and Ernest Dino; and Two-Year Directors, Charles Grunder; and Paul Millard.

Newly installed was Thomas Ringwood Jr. The Clark Lions Club meets the second and fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. The second week meeting is held at the Ramada Inn in Clark. The fourth week meeting is held at the United Jersey/Franklin State Bank in Clark.

## Rutgers lists graduates

The following Clark residents received degrees from Rutgers University in May:

Steven Andriola, Dorset Drive, Bachelor of Arts; David Apelian, Rutgers Rd., Bachelor of Arts; Alan Augulis, Parkway Drive, Juris Doctor; Marisa Biase, Midred Terr., Bachelor of Arts; Joseph Bryson, Madison Hill Rd., Bachelor of Arts; Carol Burkert, Park St., Bachelor of Science; Joanne Cerreto, Stonehenge Terr., Bachelor of

Arts; Thomas Damiano, Conger Way, Bachelor of Science; Todd Felter, Grand St., Bachelor of Arts; Also, Douglas Flain, Roberts Rd., Bachelor of Arts; Frank Guerino, Meadow Rd., Bachelor of Arts; Marilyn Hartshorn, Chestnut St., Master of Science for Teachers; David Kennedy, Prospect St., Bachelor of Arts; Lynn Kenny, Mountainview Rd., Bachelor of Arts; Abigail Kessler, Lexington Blvd., Master of Library Service;

Sharon Kidorf, Cutler Place, Bachelor of Arts; Glen King, Haliday St., Bachelor of Science; Thomas Koscia, Union St., Bachelor of Arts; Mary Larsen, Claus Rd., Doctor of Education; Michael Laucik, Linda Lane, Bachelor of Science; Susan Rees, Whitley Terr., Bachelor of Science; Kelly Ridge, Charles St., Bachelor of Arts; Mario Saracino, Raritan Rd., Bachelor of Science; James Skobo, Valley Rd., Master of Business Administration; Cynthia Vila, Mildred Terr., Bachelor of Arts; and Charles Villa, Hilltop Ave., Bachelor of Science.

## Barron Arts Center sponsoring second photography contest

The Friends of the Barron Arts Center will hold their second annual photography contest.

The contest is open to amateur photographers who are residents of Woodbridge Township and the following surrounding communities: Linden, Perth Amboy, Rahway, Carteret, Metuchen, Edison and Clark.

Photographs taken are to be from the year 1987 and only one entry per person.

There are four categories: Scenic, Humorous, People, and Animals. They may be in black and white or color. Three prizes and two honorable mentions will be awarded in each adult category. Three prizes will be given for children from ages 6-12 and three prizes for children, ages 13-17 in any category.

Entries can be hand delivered or mailed to the Friends of the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095. Barron Arts Center hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

If mailed, they must be post marked no later than Friday, August 28, and a stamped addressed envelope for return to be enclosed with the entry.

Awards will be announced at the Center on Sunday, September 6, at 2 p.m., followed by a reception. All photographs will be dis-

played the week following until Friday, September 11. Entry blanks can be obtained at the Center. For further information, call the Barron Arts Center at 634-0413 or Bob Soltyz at 388-0669.

The Judges of the contest will be Mel C. Schnur, owner of the Imageworks Studio, Somerset St., North Plainfield, a graduate, Magna Cum Laude, of Jersey City State College; Leland A. Cook of Colonia, retired advertising photographer of Tiffany & Co. and a graduate of Brooks Institute of Photography, Santa Barbara, California; and Bernard J. Sokolinski of Woodbridge, retired photographer for Seaboard Terra Cotta advertising department in Perth Amboy.

## Comic Book show

The Springfield Comic Book Super-Show will be held on Sunday, August 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Springfield Holiday Inn, Route 22 West. Admission is \$2.

Featured at this convention will be thousands of old and new comic books, comic collectibles, and science fiction material. Collectors of all ages are invited to buy, sell, and trade at this marketplace.

## Legionnaires list donations

Members of the American Legion Clark Post 328 approved the following donations at their last meeting: One hundred Magic Slates to the East Orange Veterans Hospital, which will aid the tracheotomy patients at the hospital. The slates will be used for communication skills and aid in the initiation of self care necessary for the psychological and physical recovery of the veterans suffering from cancer.

A donation was also sent to Cub Scout Pack No. 30, sponsored by St. John the Apostle Church. The Cub Pack is comprised of boys from 8 to 11 years of age who are currently planning their annual fund raiser, a Chinese Auction, which will be held on Friday evening, September 25, at Roselle Catholic High School.

The post will also help sponsor Miss Kim Anzarami of Clark who was selected to compete in the most prestigious pageant in the state, the official preliminary to the nationally televised Miss USA Pageant. The state pageant will be held August 29 and 30, at the Hilton of Somerset.



**JAMES J. KERRIGAN SCHOLARSHIP WINNER** Russell J. Black of Clark, pictured center, accepts a commemorative plaque from J. Richard White (right), Merck Director, Education Development. Russell is the son of Sylvia R. Black (left), a secretary in the Quality Control Department at Merck's Chemical Manufacturing Division in Rahway.

## Merck award

### Russell Black receives Kerrigan scholarship

Russell J. Black, of Clark, has been named one of six recipients of the James J. Kerrigan Scholarship for 1987-88. The award, made possible by Merck & Co., Inc., recognizes outstanding high school seniors on the basis of scholastic achievement, career potential and leadership.

The Kerrigan scholarship program, established in 1956, is named for James J. Kerrigan, a Merck employee who started in the company's shipping department at age 13 and advanced to become president of Merck from 1950-55.

Merck offers the awards in a nationwide competition to children of its U.S. employees. The students are judged in these areas by an independent committee composed of educators and other prominent profes-

sional people. The scholarship award, which varies with each winner, can range from a fixed minimum to an amount covering full tuition and necessary school expenses beyond what the Kerrigan scholar and his or her family can provide. The scholarships are renewable in succeeding years.

"Merck is especially proud of this program because it recognizes not only the achievements and potential of individual students, but also because it helps them to attend the college of their choice," said Walter R. Trosin, Merck's vice president for human resources.

Russell was ranked sixth in his class at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark, where he was a member of the track

team for four years. In addition, Russell served as secretary of the National Honor Society and was a member of the Italian Club and Italian Honor Society.

As a result of his academic achievements and extra-curricular activities at Arthur L. Johnson, Russell received the Presidential Academic Fitness Medal and Award, the U.S. Army Reserve Scholar/Athlete Award and the Arthur L. Johnson Booster Club Scholar/Athlete Award.

Russell will attend Villanova University in Villanova, Pa., and is planning a career in law. He is the son of Sylvia R. and the late Randall A. Black. Mrs. Black is a secretary in Merck's Chemical Manufacturing Division (MCMD) in Rahway.