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PLAY IT AGAIN, JASON. . . . Jason Kresge tries out an original song on fellow cast members Erich Kaiser and Donna Buonanni, in preparation for ALJ's upcoming fall play "Voices from the High School." The play will be held Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20 and 21, 8 p.m., in the high school auditorium.



THE FEATURED ACTRESS in ALJ's fall production "Voices from the High School," senior Dobby Stewart, pretends to be a punk rocker, backed up by other cast members.



ARTISTIC DIRECTION. . . . Mr. Michael Vogel, teacher of English and drama at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, gives pointers to cast members, from left, Charlie Varney, Steve Sangston and Jim Sargent. The students will appear in "Voices from the High School" at ALJ on Nov. 20 and 21, 8 p.m.

Johnson Regional to present "Voices from the High School"

Students of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School will present their annual fall play, "Voices from the High School," on Friday and Saturday, November 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. in the school's auditorium.

Twenty-nine actors and actresses from Johnson Regional make up the cast of "Voices from the High School," a production which is comprised of 17 self-contained scenes dealing with the problems that "typical" American teenagers face in today's world.

From boyfriends and girl friends to being the new kid in school, from alcohol abuse to teen pregnancy — these subjects and many more are covered in short vignettes that director Michael Vogel calls "sometimes funny, serious, sometimes funny, always entertaining and thought-provoking."

Seniors Debby Stewart, Michael Ricci, Jim Sargent and David Lampano, all of whom have extensive experience in high school dramatic productions, headline the cast for the production.

Also featured in the show are Johnson Regional students: Elana Sperling, Amy MacVicar, Kanna Varney, Donna Buonanni, Karen Cirinelli, Jason Steele, Kelly Bennett, Lee Cohen, Mary Ann Castello, Kristen Bakken, Stacey Stewart, Tina Pitar, Joe Milosica, Michael Scheckman, Charlie Varney and Stephen Sangston.

Completing the cast for this production are John Frantantoni, Julie Olsen, Kim Wills, Kelly O'Donnell, Erich Kaiser, Kathy Dodman and Jason Kresge. Original music for the Peter Dee play was written by Kresge, Kaiser, Ricci and Hilary Altman.

Donna Buonanni is the stage manager, while Linda Burlew and Tina Scula serve as narrators.

For ticket information call the school at 382-0910. Senior citizens will be admitted free of charge.

Mr. Vogel states he is looking to involve more community members in his future productions. Anyone with experience in set design and construction are asked to contact him at the high school.

Tax savings possible

Proposed garbage plan eliminates scavengers

by Pat DiMaggio

After a series of meetings, Clark is looking into the possibility of hiring a township-wide garbage collector, said Robert Ellenport, Chairman of the Solid Waste Committee.

After three meetings, including public comment and formal statements, the committee has decided to study further Mayor George Nucera's proposal for a three-year contract with a private collector on behalf of all the residences of Clark. Homeowners are presently serviced by seven different scavengers.

that rates would not be controlled by the B.P.U. but would be on file with them.

Residents are now paying approximately \$20 a month for collection, said Ellenport. "The B.P.U. has told us that after the first of the year that charge should go up to \$27 to \$30 per month," he said.

up, budgeted at \$25,000 and the compactor operation, budgeted at \$150,000, would not be necessary, according to Ellenport, and the township would have a tax savings on those two budget line items.

Ellenport said that former Mayor Yurasavage has offered his assistance to the committee, indicating that during his administration he had three occasions on which to consider a similar proposal.

Members of the newly-formed Solid Waste Committee were appointed by Council President Joseph Puzniak to study the garbage situation in Clark and to gather residents' input on the problem. The committee also includes Councilmen William Caruso and Carmine Cristiani.

"If you want to change your collector you have to file with the state," said Ellenport. "Rates are set by the Board of Public Utilities (B.P.U.). If we provide township-wide collectors we have received testimony

According to the mayor's proposal, household trash, grass clippings and leaves and branches would be collected twice weekly and bulk items would be picked up once a month. The current spring clean-

ing into ways in which the cost of a private collector would be included in the tax bill and under current law would be tax deductible for a household," said Ellenport.

Under the mayor's proposal, the cost to homeowners would be less than the estimated \$27 to \$30

A township-wide collector would not affect the current recycling program which will continue to be handled by the Public Works Department. "The hope of the committee is that we can lower the cost to the homeowner and still maintain the profit level of the collectors," said Ellenport.

Clark Library plans Book Week for children

The Clark Public Library will celebrate Children's Book Week, November 16-21, with several programs.

repeated on Thursday evening, November 19 from 7-7:30 p.m. for those who cannot attend on Tuesday morning.

On Tuesday, November 17 from 10:30-11 a.m., there will be a Story Time for preschoolers of all ages and their parents. Together, children and parents will listen to stories, play a game, sing and do finger-plays.

Girls and boys of elementary age may play Book Bingo on Thursday afternoon, November 19 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Book Bingo uses book titles instead of numbers, so players must be able to read the titles. A prize will be awarded to the winner of each game.

This program will be

Clark BPW seeks members

The Clark Business and Professional Women is a new organization of business and professional women in the Clark area and is part of The National Federation of Business and Professional Women.

Clark Scholarship Fund announces 1988 awards

The Clark Scholarship Fund offerings for May 1988 were announced recently by Mrs. Patricia A. Brandt, of Schwin Dr., Clark, president of the fund, and Charles E. Driesens, Jr., of 43 Prescott Turn, Clark, fund treasurer.

All offerings, except the Kiwanis Scholarship, are payable over four years. The Clark Scholarship fund will also have \$1,000 available in its small loan program for students already in college who have completed at least one year of studies.

beginning of the Clark Scholarship Fund's 36th Annual community fund-raising drive.

Offered to Clark's high school graduates will be the following:

Henry C. Staeger Scholarship, \$2,000; Robert J. Jency Bursary, \$1,000; Clark Scholars' Bursary, \$1,000; Osteopathic Medical Bursary (for a student entering studies to be a physician, dentist, veterinarian, or an allied medical field) \$1,000; Engineering/Science Stipendium (for a student entering science or engineering studies), \$1,000; and the Kiwanis Club of Clark Scholarship for a student entering a two-year program for junior college, business or technical school, or for nursing.

Applications for the scholarships will be available in the guidance offices of the high schools. College students who seek loan help are requested to write to the Fund for an application. One of the more interesting awards — the Clark Scholars' Bursary — has been made possible by the gifts of students who have received scholarships and loans from the Fund over the past 35 years. A gift of \$750 to the Engineering/Science Stipendium by Councilman Carmine Cristiani, himself an engineer, has heralded the

Budget meetings planned in Clark

Mayor George G. Nucera has announced that departmental budget meetings will be held in accordance with the State and Local Ordinances in Room 16, Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., Clark, as follows:

Bureau of Fire, 7:45-8:45 p.m.
Bureau of Police, 9-10 p.m.
Emergency Management, 10:15-10:45 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 16:
Dept. of Assessment, 1-1:30 p.m.
Dept. of Revenue and Finance, 1:45-2:15 p.m.
Township Clerk, 2:30-3 p.m.

Director of each department will have budget requests at the meetings.

Office of the Mayor, 3:15-3:45 p.m.
Dept. of Health and Welfare, 4-5 p.m.
Dept. of Senior Citizens Affairs, 7-7:30 p.m.
Dept. of Shade Trees, 7:45-8:15 p.m.
Planning Board, 8:30-9 p.m.

Parents offered tour of ALJ

Board of Adjustment, 9:15-9:45 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 23:
Dept. of Public Works and Engineering, 1-2 p.m.
Dept. of Recreation, 7-7:30 p.m.
Municipal Court, 7:45-8:15 p.m.
Dept. of Law, 8:30-9 p.m.
Township Council, 9:15-9:45 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 30:
Dept. of Public Safety, 7-9 p.m.
Office of the Director, 7:30 p.m.

David Carl, principal of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, has extended an open invitation to all parents to visit and tour the school during American Education Week, Nov. 16-20.

Parents interested in visiting the school are asked to report to the school's main office upon entering the building.

Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School is located on Westfield Avenue, between Raritan Road and the Garden State Parkway overpass in Clark.

american education week NOV. 15-21

Painter scheduled to lecture on art

Jozef Kolinski, nationally known painter, will give an illustrated talk at the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark on Friday, November 13, at 8 p.m.

His topic is the Romanesque, Gothic, and Byzantine influences on art in the years 300 to 1300 A.D., a time he regards as one of the most profoundly mystical and religious periods in Western civilization.

This lecture, and the forthcoming one on December 11 on the modern era of art, is a highlight from the book, "The Anatomy of Art" which Mr. Kolinski is writing. The book will be published under the supervision of Dr. Voss of the University of Charleston in West Virginia.

This lecture is one of a series in the Studies Program of the Foundation. It is open to the public and donations of \$3 for non-members and \$4 for non-members are asked. Diana Gaza of Maplewood is director of the Studies Program.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is a non-profit statewide cultural and educational organization. Its programs include a Polish Supplementary School on Saturday mornings, basic Polish language courses, Polish ballroom dances and folk dances.

For details call the office at 382-7197.



THE CHALLENGERS. . . . Students from Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, advanced to the second round in the academic competition Challenge Series, sponsored by Suburban Cablevision, defeating Kent Place School, Summit, 260-60. Pictured from left are faculty advisor Asst. Principal Miss Joan Barron, and team members Rosanna Vesco, Maplewood; Suzanna del Gizzo, Roselle; Kelly Ann Farrelly, Woodbridge; and Martin Eckert, Mountainside. The Mother Seton vs. Kent Place match will be broadcast on TV3 on Monday, Nov. 23, 6 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 29 at 1 p.m.