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At reorganization meeting

Dudek sworn in as Board of Ed president

by Pat DiMaggio
Newly-elected board members were sworn in during Clark's Board of Education's Organization Meeting held last week.

Michael Dudek, Anita Altman and Laurie Runyon began three-year terms and James Pressman began an unexpired two-year term.

The board also elected Michael Dudek as board president for a one-year term. Dudek is beginning his thirteenth year on the board. "My main priorities are the best interests of the children of Clark," said Dudek. "My goal is to make our school system one of the best in the state."

Lori-Ann Kazanowski was elected to serve as vice president of the board. Kazanowski is a graduate of Overlook Hospital School of Nursing and the Somerset College of Nursing Leadership Program. A staff nurse for ten years at Overlook Hospital, Kazanowski has

worked as an Ob-Gyn nurse and as a surgical scrub nurse.

The board also chose Kazanowski to serve as a delegate to the New Jersey School Boards Association. Dudek to serve as a delegate to the Union County School Boards Association and Runyon as a delegate to the Union County Educational Services Commission.

The Clark Board of Education meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month in the Education Center of the Administrative Office Building on Schindler Road at 8 p.m.

The board also approved the employment of H. Edward Flanagan as Board Secretary/Business Administrator for a one-year period and approved the employment of George W. Amann, Certified Public Accountant, as auditor for the 1988-89 school year.



BOARD PRESIDENT Michael Dudek, Vice President Lori-Ann Kazanowski and Superintendent of Schools Dr. Paul Orlando are pictured during last week's reorganization meeting.



NEWLY-ELECTED Board Members, from left, are Anita Altman, James Pressman, Laurie Runyon and Michael Dudek.

Jello wrestling at ALJ

The Student Council of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark will sponsor a "Jello Wrestling" contest next Tuesday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Boys' Gymnasium.

Tickets will be \$3 for

students and \$5 for adults, if purchased in advance. All tickets will cost \$6 at the door.

For more information call the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School at 382-0910.



HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE... Mr. Denis Borat (standing, at right), an English teacher at the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School and the Faculty Advisor to the school's student newspaper, The Crusader, looks on as Johnson Regional students Carrie Rishko (left) and Angela DePaolis (center) collaborate on a feature story during the Union County Regional High School District Journalism Conference, held recently at

the Governor Livingston Regional High School in Berkeley Heights. Over 50 Journalism students from the four Regional High Schools participated in this annual hands-on workshop. ALJ students also participating were Kevin Fazendiero, Eva Anisko, Jo Ferrigno, Jason Kresge, Elana Sperling, Ann Marie Ricci, Nicole Barr, Melissa Szub, Marc Bongiovanni and Todd Burger.

Historical Society states meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Clark Historical Society will be held Thursday, April 28, at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Clark Municipal Building, formerly the Brewer School, 430 Westfield Ave., Clark.

Mr. W. T. Wilday of Westfield will speak on the history of Elizabethtown.

Meetings of the Clark Historical Society are open to the public. Dedicated to the preservation of Clark's history, the society always welcomes new members.

Open House Sunday set at Robinson's

The Clark Historical Society will hold Open House Sunday on May 1 from 1-4 p.m. at the Dr. William Robinson Plantation, 593 Madison Hill Rd., Clark. Guided tours of the house and grounds will be conducted by members of the Society.

The plantation farmhouse is one of the few examples of 17th century architecture in the nation and

Yurasavage vs. Nucera in November election

by Pat DiMaggio
The mayor's seat and three at-large positions are available in Clark and candidates have filed petitions with the Township Clerk's office announcing their intentions to seek election.

Incumbent Mayor George G. Nucera will seek his

second term in office and is joined on the Democratic ticket by incumbent Fred Eckel, currently council president, incumbent Joseph Pozniak and newcomer Marie Soyka.

The Republican Party is looking to return former mayor Bernard Yurasavage to office along with incum-

bent Bernard Hayden, former Councilwoman Ruth DeLuca and newcomer Joseph Rybak.

Yurasavage served as mayor for 12 years until he was defeated by Nucera in 1984. Hayden recently switched his party affiliation from Democratic to Republican.

The mayor in Clark earns a salary of 4,200 for a four-year term and council members receive \$3,600 for a four-year term.

The primary is scheduled for June 7 and the general election will be held on November 8.

Regional Board OKs expenses

by Pat DiMaggio
Clark's Regional Board of Education approved two trips for Arthur L. Johnson students at their regular meeting held last week.

Two students representing Johnson's Key Club will participate in the annual Key Club convention held at Tammitt Lodge, Tammitt, Pa., from the weekend of April 22 to 24. Cost for each student will be \$110, with \$75 to be paid by the student and \$35 to be paid by fund-raising efforts by the Key Club.

Eight students from Johnson's German Club attended a weekend field trip in Highland, New York, from April 15 through April 17. Expenses were paid by fund-raising activities of the German Club. The students were chaperoned by Mrs. Kathryn Zigmont, German teacher, and by Mrs. Wally Koop, parent of a student.

The board approved a five-day unsalaried leave of absence from April 25 to 29 for Dolores Jules, Ms. Jules is a clerk at Johnson. The board also accepted the resignation of Lois Lederer, a part-time computer operator in the Computer Center at Johnson and from Judith Trowbridge, a nurse at Johnson.

The board approved a maternity leave of absence to begin on May 9 for Sandra Whiteford, a special education teacher.

The following appointments were also approved: Intramurals Coach (spring), Alice Leshick, \$707; Intramurals Aides (spring), Catherine Hascher, Emmalyne Williams, Margaret Parmentier, Paula Burkhardt, \$550 each; Assistant Track Coach, Eric Rosenmeier, \$2066.

Nancy Dougherty and Marie Ratel received approval to participate in an in-service workshop on mainstreaming at a respective payment rate of \$15 per hour.

The Student Council of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark will sponsor the Seventh Annual "Mr. and Ms. A.L.J. Pageant" on Thursday evening, May 12, at 8 o'clock in the school's Hough Auditorium.

Eleven Johnson Regional students will be vying for prestige and cash prizes during the "Mr. and Ms. A.L.J. Pageant," an event which has consistently attracted large crowds and has proven to be one of the highlights of the school year during the course of its existence.

The contestants include three students who par-

ticipated in last year's "Pageant" — Hillary Altman, Gia Mariano and Stacey Stewart — plus first-time entrants Jim Lapidus, Denise Favor, Stacey Skalski, Donna Miller, Donna Black, Lisa Macera, Kathy Curtis and Christina Zavoila.

Christina's older sister, Evalynn Zavoila, captured the title of "Ms. A.L.J." for the second straight year in 1987, while Vince Gagliardi was crowned as "Mr. A.L.J." by virtue of his performance in last year's "Pageant."

The theme of this year's show will be "Made in America" — a salute to the

American way of life and culture in this Olympic year.

Mr. Kurt Eggs, a teacher of English and the Faculty Advisor to the Student Council at Johnson Regional, will serve as the Master of Ceremonies for the pageant. Vic Rospi, who earned the title of "Mr. A.L.J." in 1986, will be the guest host.

Tickets will be \$8 at the door, with proceeds going toward the Johnson Regional Student Council Scholarship Fund. For more information, please contact Mr. Eggs at the school at 382-0910.

Johnson Regional Science Fair scheduled for May 9

The Science Club of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School will sponsor its Second Annual Science Fair on Monday, May 9, between 4 and 8 p.m. in the cafeteria at Johnson Regional, located on Westfield Avenue in Clark.

Students from Johnson Regional High School and the three public grade schools in Clark — Carl H. Kumpf, Frank K. Hehly and Valley Road — will be displaying their special

science projects during this fair.

Prizes will be awarded to those students with the best projects in the following categories — High School (Grades 9-12); and separate divisions for Grades 8, 7, 6, 5 and 4.

Parents, students and local residents are cordially invited to attend the Science Fair and see the projects which have been con-

structed by these talented and creative students.

Any interested youngsters who have not applied to participate in the Johnson Regional Science Fair are asked to contact their Science teacher or Mr. Roland Marioni, the Science Department Supervisor at Arthur L. Johnson, for more information. Mr. Marioni can be reached at the school at 382-0910.

Ken Davidson is appointed Scout Unit Commissioner

Deutscher Club states dance

On Saturday, April 23, at 8 p.m., the Deutscher Club of Clark, Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will have a Bayern Abend dance with music by Norbert Ludewig.

Guests will be the Schuhplattler Dancers from the Bayern Verein, Newark. The club suggests that those attending come dressed in droll and Lederhosen and enjoy a special night of music and dance.

The admission donation is \$2 for members; \$3 for non-members.

SECRETARIES WEEK
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24-30

Ken Davidson, a lifelong resident of Westfield, has accepted the position of Unit Commissioner from the Wachung Area Council of The Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Davidson has taught fifth grade in Clark at Valley Road School for 17 years. He is a graduate of Kean College with a Master of Arts degree in administration and supervision and certification in student personnel services.

In addition to working with young people in school and scouting Mr. Davidson, as a certified athletic coach, assists in the managing of two baseball teams in town. During the summer months he is the manager of the Gran Centurion Swim Club in Clark.

Mr. Davidson has three sons, Kyle, 4, Jeff, 8 and Ken, 10; both Jeff and Ken attend Franklin School.

Mr. Davidson is looking forward to continuing his work with Mr. Tom Anspach toward the ongoing development and expanding scope of scouting in the area.



Ken Davidson