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Solid Waste Committee disbands GOP charged two-district plan would 'polarize' Clark

by Pat DiMaggio
The Solid Waste Committee, formed a year ago to study a proposal to change Clark's garbage collection plan into a Township-wide program, has disbanded with members of the committee tendering their resig-

nations at a meeting held last week. Councilman Robert Ellenport formally resigned as chairman of the committee and Councilmen William Caruso and Carmine Cristiani followed suit. The committee studied a

proposal from Mayor George Nucera to change Clark's garbage collection method into a Township-wide plan. Residents now contract privately with seven scavengers servicing the Township and pay up to \$400 a year for twice a week, two-

can, rear yard collection. The committee proposed to divide the town into two separate "garbage districts" which would have been assessed and taxed at different rates for solid waste disposal. The committee said that this "special garbage

district" taxation would be deductible for property owners. Two bids were received and opened in late October, but both were rejected because of the outcome of the election in which incumbent

Democratic Mayor Nucera was defeated. Bernard Yarusavage, former mayor for 12 years, will begin his administration in January along with a GOP majority on the Municipal Council. The bids were rejected

and the committee was disbanded in deference to public statements made by Republican candidates during the election campaign, said Ellenport. "There were statements in the papers from Republican candidates saying that not enough study

went into the proposal," he explained. GOP candidates criticized the proposal, saying the separate garbage districts would "polarize" the town and would divide residents into two separate groups. They also disagreed with the tax deductibility of the plan.

Mayor-elect Yarusavage said more study would have to go into the plan before his administration will act on it. "We will re-draw the specifications and re-submit for bids," he said. "We were not happy with the zoning of the town into two districts. More study is necessary before we take any action."

Mayor-elect denies program-slashing rumors

by Pat DiMaggio
Mayor-elect Bernard Yarusavage is trying to put to rest some of the rumors circulating among residents that he is planning to disband some Township programs.

Rumors have been circulating since Yarusavage defeated incumbent Demo-

cratic Mayor George Nucera in the November 8 election that he would make sweeping changes in Township programs and services.

"We have no intention of closing the library," said Yarusavage. "We have no intention of cutting down on recreation programs and we have no intention of closing Brewer School. Nor will we

dispossess any senior organizations from using any facilities."

Yarusavage said no programs would be cut from the recreation program. As to the status of recreation director Richard Donofrio, Yarusavage said it was too early to discuss appointments for his administration to begin on January 1, 1989.

ALJ students attend press conference Trip to Smithsonian upcoming

by Pat DiMaggio
Students from Arthur L. Johnson High School attended the Columbia University Scholastic Press Conference on November 7 with

the approval of the Union County Regional Board of Education. The board, meeting last week, approved the attendance of the following students and advisors: Advisors Douglas Feller and Jane Lit-

trell, and students Sue Cerassa, Jen Chung, Maria Cutinello, Joanne Goldberg, Donna Hart, Puffy Koch, Theresa Loong, Lisa Macera, Jen Olzowski, Anne-Marie Ricci and Carrie Ann Risko.

The board also gave its approval to a trip to Washington, D.C. for students in the

Gifted and Talented Program. Students will make the trip on November 18 and will visit the Smithsonian Institution.

In other business the board: Approved the following before instructors: John Ford, Marketing/Distributive Education/Business Education; John Maikos, Science; Maureen Toth, Home Economics.

Accepted the retirement resignation of Richard Fleischer, mathematics teacher, effective January 1, 1989.

GAF honors employees for long service

Fifteen employees of GAF Corporation's Chemicals plant in Linden were recently honored for long company service at a dinner held at the Landmark Inn, Woodbridge. The recipients represent 505 years of service with GAF. Robert F. McCarthy, works manager, Linden and director of manufacturing, surfactants, commended the employees for their contributions to company growth.

Honored from Clark were Frank J. Giegich, switchboard operator-receptionist, for 45 years' service, and George C. Marker, supervisor-quality control, 30 years' service.

Honored from Rahway was Barbara A. Bailey, secretary to the regional personnel manager, for 25 years' service.

ALJ parents offer Catskills getaway

Diane Seeburger, president of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School P.T.A., has announced plans for a Winter Getaway. The Raleigh Hotel in the Catskills, N.Y., will be the host for the weekend of Friday, Jan. 13 through Sunday or Monday, Jan. 15 and 16. Because it is a holiday weekend travelers have the option of an extra day.

The cost will be \$270 per couple which will include dinner on Friday, three

meals and a cocktail party on Saturday and two meals on Sunday. The additional day would cost \$105 per couple.

Children sharing a room with their parents will be charged \$60 if eating in the children's dining room and \$70 to eat in the main dining room. The first child may travel free. Deposits of \$50 are now being accepted. Brochures are available in the main office of A.L.J. or call Diane at 388-7570.

Wrestling sign-ups next week

Mayor George G. Nucera has announced that the Clark Recreation Wrestling Team will have Sign-Ups for its '88-'89 Program on Monday, November 21 and Tuesday, November 22, at Brewer School between 6:30 and 8 p.m.

Any Clark boy from 2nd to 8th grade is eligible to sign up and participate. There is no fee, and anyone who signs up may participate in matches against other towns, usually held Saturday mornings.

The team will hold practice on Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7 p.m. and Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30, beginning November 29 in the Brewer Gym.

PTA meets tonight

The Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) of the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark will hold its executive board meeting on Thursday, Nov. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the school. Speakers Cliff Lauterbach and Lorraine Olzewski will talk on alcohol and drug abuse.

Super 50/50

The Arthur L. Johnson Athletic Booster Club is sponsoring a Super 50/50 Raffle to be held on Thursday, December 8. There are only 200 tickets being sold. If all tickets are sold, there will be two \$500 prizes awarded.

For tickets please call Joan Sabath at 815-03 12.



VICTORIOUS CITIZENS... The original organizers of the Victory Club are pictured, from left standing, Adam Witkowski, Mrs. Ginger Slinget, Julius Wasakowski, Mrs. Mary Kamichoff; seated, Mrs. Demidul, Mrs. Ana Adamski, Mrs. Sophie Jasick and Mrs. Witkowski. James Kahoe, a member of the Clark Central Veterans Committee and organizer of the relocation of the memorial monument from Grant Ave. to Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, spent two years

tracking down the original "owners" of the monument. Mrs. Jack, president of the Victory Club of World War II, had the original deed. The club held dances, dinners and picnics at the Friendly Club on Westfield Ave. to raise funds for the purchase of the monument. Future plans for the monument, pictured below, include a formal dedication in May to coincide with the 125th anniversary of the Township of Clark.



Clark Airman completes law course

Airman 1st Class Mark W. Sargent, son of Nancy M. Brannagan of Valley Road, Clark, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force law enforcement specialist course at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

Graduates of the course studied general law enforcement duties, tactics, weapons, training, physical apprehension and restraint and earned credits toward an associate degree in applied science through the Community College of the Air Force.

Sargent is a 1985 graduate of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Clark.



Fire Dept. seeks members

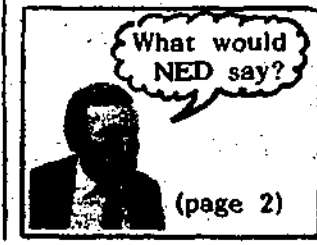
The Clark Volunteer Fire Department is accepting applications for new members. Any township resident interested may obtain an application form any Thursday evening between 7 and 9 p.m. and any Sunday morning between 9 and noon at fire headquarters on Broadway. Requirements: good driving record, between 18 and 40 years of age and residing in the township of Clark.

PA University counselor to visit ALJ

Linda Clark, Admissions Counselor of Widener University, has scheduled a visit with guidance counselors and interested students in the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark tomorrow (Nov. 18).

The 2,700 undergraduates on Widener's main campus are enrolled in humanities, sciences, engineering, business, nursing, computer science, social sciences, and hotel and restaurant management. The main campus occupies a 94-acre site in Chester, PA.

Widener, whose name honors the nationally prominent Philadelphia family, also offers pre-professional preparation for law, medicine, dentistry, optometry, and podiatry.



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PERFECT FIT... Tying on the helmets from Mrs. Chinochar's afternoon Kindergarten Class at Clark's Valley Road School are Matthew Andrews and Elizabeth Stowasky. As part of a fire safety program, the children walked to the Clark firehouse.