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Board of Education cites urgency of passing high school renovations

Citing a wide-ranging set of rapidly deteriorating conditions in the physical structure of Rahway High School, a spokesman for the Rahway Board of Education announced a proposal for an "urgently-needed" \$5,990,000 renovation of the building.

The question will be placed before the voters of Rahway at a special election to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 22, between 2 and 9 p.m. at the annual school election polling places.

In a prepared statement, the spokesman noted that the school has continued through the years within the framework of budget available for the purpose, funding has not kept pace with increasing needs, with the result the deterioration of the building now poses a menacing threat to Rahway High School's educational program.

"A comprehensive renovation of the building is absolutely essential, at this time if Rahway High School is to uphold its long established high standard of education," said Louis R. Rizzo, the president of the Board.

A central concern of the Board is the upcoming evaluation of the high school, which will be conducted by the Middle States Assn. of Colleges and Secondary Schools, an independent accrediting agency, he added.

The pressing need for the project became apparent as a result of a detailed study of the facilities by Finne & Kim, an architectural and engineering firm located in Elizabeth. In a comprehensive report, completed in Jan. 1982, Finne & Kim examined the High School site, building facade, roofing, masonry, windows, exits and doors, corridors, classrooms, painting, heating and ventilation system, plumbing and electrical system, concluding all were in various states of disrepair and in urgent need of immediate attention, it was noted.

In spite of its efforts to maintain safe physical conditions at the high school, the Board has had to deal with continual dilemmas involving the physical condition of the building and its growing relationship to the educational program. Operation of the

heating system has caused room temperatures to vary from 40 to 85 degrees. Students and staff have reported learning in these extreme temperature changes is almost impossible, the Board president explained.

This fluctuating heating condition is caused by corroded steam lines, obsolete classroom unit ventilators and constant failure of the converted coal-fired boilers, originally installed when

the building was constructed in 1939. The proposed improvements include upgrading the existing heating and ventilation system in the interest of energy efficiency and to comply with the New Jersey School Building Code. It provides for hot-water conversion, unit ventilators, piping and temperature controls. Three antiquated boilers will be replaced with three new hot water boilers with combina-

tion gas and oil burners, he added.

The budget for the proposed improvement was prepared by Eckert, Morton and Russo, a North Brunswick architectural and engineering firm. Approximately 20% of the total estimated renovation budget is earmarked for improvements to the physical education area, which will include an extension of the gymnasium itself. This extension will nearly double

the size of the existing gymnasium.

At the present time, the gymnasium is used by seven teachers who also have access to a large all-purpose room called the auxiliary gymnasium. Doubling the gymnasium space will provide for four teaching stations in place of the current two stations. The planned alterations will also correct the deplorable conditions in the locker and shower rooms of the gymnasium

area. Currently there are few working showers for either the boys or the girls. The improved facility will allow for the implementation of a more comprehensive physical education program, it was explained.

The gymnasium facility will also allow the Rahway school district to conduct its athletic program at a level comparable to surrounding communities. The proposed enlargement of the gymnasium will enable girls and

boys' teams to practice simultaneously. Staggered practice schedules now force students to leave the building at late hours, the school aide noted.

New plans for seating will increase the spectators' capacity from approximately 670 to 1,350. Also, separate lavatory facilities and water fountains will be provided for spectators. It is anticipated the increased capacity will generate additional revenues, resulting from regularly-scheduled contests, as well as from other athletic tournaments and events. In addition, modern, energy-efficient fixtures will replace the out-dated and inefficient lighting system now operating in the gymnasium. With the improvements to the physical education and athletic areas, the Board of Education is attempting to address a problem that has existed for 20 years, the Board spokesman continued.

Better than 20% of the proposed budget will be applied to classrooms and other instructional areas. Planned improvements include fume hoods and emergency shower drains which will be installed in the science labs. An exhaust system for the welding and foundry area is also planned to meet mandated requirements for the safety of

the students, he added.

Classrooms will be rehabilitated in several ways. Lighting fixtures will be replaced along with adding emergency cut-off switches where machines are used for instruction. Additional plans call for necessary repairs to floors and walls, as well as updating of the home economics rooms. One classroom will be redesigned as a center for the emerging computer education program, it was explained.

The renovation program includes an overhaul of the auditorium, provisions for the handicapped, new lavatory fixtures, reconditioning of lockers, window replacement, lowering of classroom and corridor ceilings, painting, replacement of fire doors in stairwells, installation of new electrical panels, wiring and switches and re-pointing of exterior brickwork, the spokesman noted.

"We are dealing with a set of requirements that are now beyond alternatives," the statement explained, "for the good of our students today, for the future of our educational system, and for the pride our citizens take in a high school with a rich and enviable heritage, we urge the support of Rahway citizens for this vital program."



MAPPING THE FUTURE? Frank D. Brunetto, the Rahway Superintendent of Schools, left, Louis R. Rizzo, the president of the Rahway Board of Education, center, and Roy M. Valentine, the principal of Rahway High School, right, review plans for the renovation of the city's high school. The question will be placed before the voters at a special election to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 22.

'Open House' to focus on school plan

"Come see for yourself" is the thrust of an invitation extended to Rahway citizens in connection with its proposed \$5,990,000 renovation plan, by the Rahway Board of Education.

The Board invites any interested citizen of Rahway to attend an "Open House" at Rahway High School on Sunday, Feb. 6, between 2 and 4 p.m.

The program will include a tour of the school and detailed explanation of the specific improvements scheduled in the renovation program.

"Seeing the deplorable condition of this critically important building is the only way to make an informed judgment on this important issue," said Board President Louis Rizzo.

The proposal will be decided in a city-wide special election on Tuesday, Feb. 22.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT HONORS MERCK FOUNDATION

The Merck Company Foundation and Grace M. Winterling, the foundation president, were recently awarded Junior Achievement's Distinguished Service Award for their loyal, faithful, and unselfish services to Junior Achievement, where they have developed in American youth a better understanding and appreciation of our private enterprise economy, and have made a great contribution to the community and state, reports a Junior Achievement spokesman. Participating in the award presentation, left to right, are: William R. Hornie, vice president of manufacturing for Merck and Co., Inc. of Rahway, and a member of the Junior Achievement Board of Directors; J. Kenneth Roden, the president of Junior Achievement of Union County, Inc.; Grace Winterling, and John F. Mossey, the chairman of Junior Achievement of Union County.

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an honorary membership in the New Jersey Firemen's Mutual Benevolent Assn. Among other awards and honors, he was "Man of the Year" for the Rahway First Aid Squad and, for contributions to effective law enforcement, was elected an honorary member of the Police Chiefs' Assn. of Union County.

The hopeful played a role in numerous civic projects, including the 1976 bicentennial celebration and the recent City Hall dedication, and has volunteered his time for many civic organizations.

He is married to the former Miss Georgia Howell, also of Rahway, and the couple has one child, a son named Colin Patrick Hartnett.

In an opening campaign statement, Mr. Hartnett declared, "We have to recognize this district consists of senior citizens, minorities, and an awful lot of dedicated, hard-working people. In this day and age, a legislator can't just make laws, he or she has to be a leader in serving the interests of

the people in the district. This district has always been a part of my life—it's in my blood. There's a lot that can be done to get this area moving with jobs and economic development."

Mayor Daniel L. Martin noted his belief Mr. Hartnett's candidacy would "touch-on very strongly with the party and with the public. As city administrator he has had to maintain a low profile, but now as a candidate he can promote himself and people can get to know what an outstanding public official he is."

The city's administrator for the past eight years previously was active with the Union County Democratic Committee, serving as the chairman of the By-Laws Committee, and holding various positions with freeholder and legislative campaigns.

As Rahway's top administrative official, Mr. Hartnett is credited with a key role in an economic turnaround that has seen that community's property values soar 45% past the county average and 23% past the state average. He has been instrumental in numerous innovative construction projects, gaining national and state attention, it was noted.

At the press conference announcing his candidacy, Mr. Hartnett told The Rahway News-Record his top priorities as a legislator would be: To serve the needs of the large senior citizen population in the district and of minorities, and to work for creating jobs in the district the same way he has worked for it in Rah-

way, adding Rahway has created more jobs per capita than any municipality in the county or state.

Although he would not say at the present time whether he would run for the State Senate or the Assembly, the candidate pointed out he would follow the wishes of Democratic Party officials.

With the recent conviction of Linden Mayor and State Sen. John T. Gregorio, who represents Rahway, on conspiracy charges it is expected he may soon be removed from one or both offices. This would leave the Senate post vacant in either a special election or in the June Primary and the November General Election.

That possibility has caused the names of many candidates to surface in the legislative district, including the possibility one of the district's two assemblymen, Raymond J. Lesniak of Elizabeth and Thomas J. Devener of Carteret, may seek to move up to the Senate. In any event, at least one of the three slots would be open for a third legislative candidate.

None of the other lawmakers, both Democrats, or any Republicans, have announced their plans as yet.

When asked by The Rahway News-Record what effect his candidacy would have on his position as business administrator, Mr. Hartnett said he intended to keep serving in that post, even if elected, as long as the city administration and City Council wished to see him in the post.

Hartnett declares his candidacy for Democratic legislative nod

Rahway's Business Administrator Joseph M. Hartnett will be a candidate for the Democratic Party nomination for the State Legislature in this year's election for the 20th Legislative District, which includes Elizabeth, Linden and Carteret with Rahway. In announcing his candidacy today, Mr. Hartnett said he based his decision "on the urgings of many friends, mainly in Rahway."

Mr. Hartnett's candidacy was immediately endorsed by every leading Democrat in the community, including Mayor Daniel L. Martin

and City Council members, Walter McLeod, Max Sheild, Harvey Williams, Vincent Addona and James Cigan, and by the president of the Rahway Democratic Club, Alexander Shipley.

Councilman-at-Large Addona, who is also the city democratic chairman, stated, "Every citizen of Rahway can be proud our community has produced a candidate for state office as outstanding as Mr. Hartnett is."

The administrator, who was born and raised in Rahway, said he can remember as a youth "how proud I

was to grow-up in a city with such fine citizens as Bob Henderson and Herb Kiehn representing Rahway in the State Legislature. Rahway is overdue to again have one of our citizens in state government, and I am very proud to have the opportunity to achieve that goal."

Mr. Hartnett has been Rahway's administrator for the past eight years.

Mayor Martin, in commenting on the administrator's candidacy, stated, "There is no question Mr. Hartnett has played a key role in turning Rahway

around, and his professionalism and talent have won our hometown a tremendous amount of respect statewide and even nationally."

Councilman Addona described Mr. Hartnett as "a doer, an achiever, a man of remarkable intelligence, talent, integrity, and good judgment."

"I don't know of anyone," he added, "no matter what their politics, who doesn't respect Mr. Hartnett for the job he has done for the city of Rahway. There is no finer can-

didate for the State Legislature."

Mr. Hartnett was recently featured in a national seminar program of Lebonthal and Co., Wall St.'s leading municipal bond specialists, for his creative role in the financing of the construction of the Rahway Geriatric Center.

The February, 1982, issue of New Jersey Business magazine, described him as a "savvy" and "street-wise" manager.

Rahway has always been the candidate's hometown. Born in Rahway Hospital on May 6, 1948, he attend-

ed parochial schools, having been graduated from St. Mary's School in Rahway and St. Peter's Preparatory School in Jersey City. His higher education was at Fordham University in New York City and Kean College of New Jersey in Union, and he holds a degree in public administration, as well as serving on the Master's Advisory Board in that subject for the latter school.

Mr. Hartnett is a recipient of the New Jersey Policemen's Benevolent Assn.'s highest civilian award—Silver Life Membership—and is

Emergi-Carers warn: Don't let winter bite

Warnings to middle-aged do-it-yourself snow shovelers are as common as snowflakes each winter. But according to two local emergency specialists, it's advice that's frequently ignored.

"Winter health hazards don't get the respect they deserve," agreed Dr. Robert Staub and Dr. Alan Goldstein.

"As partners in Emergi-Care Immediate Medical Services in Clark, Drs. Staub and Goldstein said they've seen a parade of unnecessary winter injuries despite the mild weather.

"A little ice is all it takes," Dr. Staub explained. "One careless step and you've fractured a wrist, an ankle or a hip."

"Big winter snows are even more dangerous. As soon as the snowblowers come out, we start to treat injuries to hands, fingers and toes—some of them quite serious," he added.

"Everybody hears about the dangers of unusual exertion, but people still shovel their own snow and push their own stranded cars," the doctor noted.

"You can get into winter health trouble just by standing around, too."

"Prolonged exposure to the cold or sudden, extreme cold can be very unwholesome," Dr. Staub explained. "Don't go by the temperature alone," he suggested. "Dress warmly enough to handle the wind chill, too. Watch the tips of your ears and your nose for frostbite."

Himself a skier, Dr. Staub said he would encourage people to stay physically active the year 'round.

"But you have to respect the risks of winter by dressing and overexerting according to your own condition. Remember, the sun will melt that snow with a lot less of force than you can," he warned.

Drs. Staub and Goldstein opened Emergi-Care at 1445 Raritan Rd. last month to provide convenient, immediately available medical care to southern Union County.

Patients are accepted without appointment from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day of the year.

"People come to us when they can't get to their own doctor, when they don't have a family physician, and when they have a health emergency that doesn't require hospital admission," Dr. Goldstein explained. "So we get to see a lot of the fractures and frostbites and we know most could be prevented."

Representatives are needed to fill three-year term vacancies from Berkeley Hills and Clark at Springfield.

The elections will be held on Tuesday, April 5.

Petition blanks may be obtained from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. from Monday to Friday from the office of the Board Secretary at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

The Union County Regional High School District No. 1 serves Berkeley Heights, Clark, Garwood, Kenilworth, Mountainside and Springfield.

Board offers petitions for hopefuls

Nominating petitions for candidates for the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 Board of Education, which includes Clark, will be accepted by the Board Secretary and returned to the Board Secretary at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

Hospital ball aids patient care

Held during the setting of the Meadowlands Hilton in Secaucus, the 1982 Annual Ball of Memorial General Hospital of Union was a success both financially and socially, reports a hospital spokesman.

The event featured an appearance by John Gabriel of the daytime serial "Ryan's Hope," and entertainment by Bobby Rydell and the orchestra, who performed two nightclubs-style floor shows.

Raising over \$20,000 for the hospital's patient-care equipment fund, the ball was attended by 250 guests, comprised of state and local officials, civic and industrial leaders, members of medical societies, physicians, the members of the hospital administration and employees.

All proceeds from the event will go toward the hospital's patient-care equipment fund.

Casino gambling to be taught

If you've ever been to Atlantic City, or if you are thinking of going, a course to be presented in the Rahway Adult School Program is just the ticket for you. A seminar to discuss a brief look at gambling in New Jersey casinos will be followed by a four-week course on the subject, reports a school spokesman.

The Spring Life Casino Players School from Avenel will present an eight-hour four-week course on blackjack, craps, baccarat and roulette. Each two-hour session will be devoted to a different game. The course is to include basic strategy in blackjack, hedge betting in craps and money management and discipline in all casino games.

This presentation will be under the supervision of John Patrick, a professional gambler and author of the book "So You Want To Be A Gambler." He has appeared on numerous radio talk shows.

Mr. Patrick's program is designed to enlighten players as to the proper manner to be made at casino games. Both beginners and accomplished players may sign up for this four-week course.

For further information, please telephone the adult school at 382-1361 on any school day between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Consumer board seats Mrs. Apelian

The former president of the Clark Township Council, Mrs. Virginia Apelian, was named to the Consumer Affairs Advisory Board on Jan. 26 in the County Administration Building.

Mrs. Apelian is also serving a three-year term on the Board of the Environmental Health Advisory Board, to which she was appointed by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Serving as the representative to the Governing Body from Clark's First Ward from 1978 to last year, Mrs. Apelian had served first in the term as councilwoman-at-large.

She formerly served as a member of the Mayor's Committee on Drug Abuse and as an administrative aide of former Assemblyman William Maguire, who represented Clark, from 1976 to 1978.

Class of 1963 to hold reunion

The Rahway High School Class of 1963 is planning its 20-year reunion. The arrangements are as follows: Saturday, Oct. 1, 7 p.m., The Landmark Inn, Rt. 1, Woodbridge.

Anyone having information about the following graduates, please telephone Mary Ann (Judy) Furst at 382-2550 or Nancy (Sue) Gurey at phone number 889-5082.

Allen Atkins, Robert Armstrong, Eugene Barrowski, Todd Bort, (Herman), Jacqueline Caldwell (Stearman), Richard Carlson, Judith Crispell, Linda Daly, Lancer Forrester, Betty Gaskin, Carlos Giordano, Katherine Gondek (Finch), John Grady, William Hart, Richard Hunt, Dennis Johnson, Kenneth Johnson, Noam Kornfeld, George Kronek, Robert Lane, Carl Malone, Ruth Moore, Brigitte Nash, Leslie Page, Carson Predick Phillips, Dennis Roman, Charles Schilling, Barbara Wojciechowski and Barbara Yonk.

This is being presented by the College Center Board. The admission will be \$3 for students and \$5 for the general public.

BELL DRUGS OF RAHWAY

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Area police learn new gun code

Thirteen members of the Rahway and Clark Police Depts. are among 171 Union County police officers who have completed a special gun-code orientation program at the Union County Police Chiefs' Basic Training Academy in Cranford.

The orientation program, which was taught by two members of the Union County Prosecutor's Office, was based on the new Uniform Firearms Policy which was recently unveiled by the Prosecutor's Office, according to Dr. John Wolf, the director of the police academy.

The police officers participated in four different sessions held on the Cranford Sheriff's Office at 12:15 p.m. at the Columbian Club in Rahway.

"You never know what is enough until you know what is more than enough," William Blake

Regional sets tour of vocation classes

A program orientation will be held at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield, N.J., on Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 8:30 a.m. From there 25 guests per day will be transported to Glenview Regional High School in Berkeley Heights, Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Kenilworth, Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth, and the National Vocational Education Week, Feb. 6 to 12, which enables the students to view such student offerings as automotive, beauty culture, computer technology, electronics technology, child care and occupational business classes.

City boards set meetings

The meetings of the Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board of the City of Rahway for the month of February are as follows: Board of Adjustment, third Monday of every month unless otherwise designated; Planning Board, fourth Tuesday of every month unless otherwise designated.

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GIVING TEAM A LIFT...Clark's Carl H. Kumpf School cheerleaders, Jill Jordan, co-captain; Lynn Miele, captain; Jesse Mascot, Jennifer Burns support.

PROMOTING FITNESS - Jim Kennedy, the vice-president of the Kiwanis Club of Rahway, is shown with Joanne Kreiberg of the Aerobics with Heart Fitness Center in Cranford. At a weekly meeting of the club, Joanne Kreiberg and her assistant gave a demonstration of their aerobic cardiovascular exercise program for men, women and children. She also explained the many side benefits of this type of program, such as weight loss. The Rahway Kiwanis Club meets on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. at the Columbian Club in Rahway.

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RAHWAY ADULT SCHOOL

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AT YOUR SERVICE - Miss Sue Verrastro, a registered dental hygienist, left, Dr. Alan Levine and Mrs. Michelle Levine, a nutritionist and registered nurse, get ready to demonstrate dental care to students at Rahway's Roosevelt School.

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Community Calendar

EDITOR'S NOTE: In order for us to adequately prepare the Community Calendar, all events for the following week should be submitted by 5 p.m. on the WEDNESDAY before you would like them to appear.

RAHWAY

-FRIDAY, FEB. 4 - General Membership Meeting. Rahway Women's Club, starting with noon luncheon-tee, Second Presbyterian Church Hall. Program features a talk on "Yorktown Revisited" by Loretta Widows. Members of Literature Dept. to serve as hostesses.

-MONDAY, FEB. 7 - Toddler Time, Rahway Public Library, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Four years old by Thursday, June 30, 1983. Local Assistance Board, 7:30 p.m., Welfare Dept., second floor, City Hall. Friends of Rahway Public Library, 8:30 p.m., library, Rahway Area Junior Women's Club, Board Meeting, 8 p.m., home of Mrs. Judy Kaminsky, Clark.

-WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9 - Public Library. Those in kindergarten to sixth grade make valentines, 3:15 to 4 p.m.

-THURSDAY, FEB. 10 - Board of Education, Caucus, 8 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Rahway Junior High School. Special Meeting to adopt 1983-1984 tentative school budget. Public Library, film program, those in kindergarten to third grade, 3:15 to 4:05 p.m.

-MONDAY, FEB. 14 - City Council, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, City Hall Plaza. Free Hypertension Screening, Rahway Hospital, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and from 9 to 8 p.m. Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 7:55 p.m., Roosevelt School auditorium.

-TUESDAY, FEB. 15 - Municipal Board of Alcohol Beverage Control, 7:30 p.m., City Hall Board of Trustees, Public Library, 8 p.m., library. Deadline for entries in Public Library's New Jersey Library Assn. Photography Contest.

-FRIDAY, FEB. 18 - Weekend Winter Carnival at Camp Watchung, Rahway Troop No. 47 of the Boy Scouts.

-SATURDAY, FEB. 19 - Citizens' Youth Recreation Committee, boys' baseball and girls' softball registration, noon, Claude H. Reed Recreational and Cultural Center. Information, 382-4974 or 382-3605.

-TUESDAY, FEB. 22 - Planning Board, City Hall. Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, City Hall Plaza. Details in Thursday, Feb. 17, Rahway News-Record.

-THURSDAY, FEB. 24 - 4 p.m. Deadline for Board of Education candidates to file for Tuesday, April 5, Election. Information, 388-8500.

-FRIDAY, FEB. 25 - Rahway Troop No. 47 of the Boy Scouts, Annual Blue and Gold Dinner, 7 p.m., City Hall.

-MONDAY, FEB. 28 - Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Huffman-Koos Furniture Showroom, St. George Ave., 7 p.m.

-WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 - Parking Authority. Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, City Hall Plaza.

-TUESDAY, MARCH 8 - Rahway Lions Club Spring Free Eye Care Seminar, Rahway High School, Information, Rahway Night School, Madison Ave., Rahway, N.J. 07065. City Council, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, City Hall Plaza.

-MONDAY, MARCH 14 - City Council, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, City Hall, City Hall Plaza.

-THURSDAY, MARCH 17 - Board of Education, Caucus, 8 p.m., Superintendent's Office, Rahway Junior High School.

-SATURDAY, MARCH 19 - Rahway Troop No. 47 of the Boy Scouts, trip to the Museum of Natural History, New York City.

-MONDAY, MARCH 21 - Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 7:55 p.m., Roosevelt School auditorium. Board of Adjustment.

-TUESDAY, MARCH 22 - Board of Alcohol Beverage Control, 7:30 p.m., City Hall. Planning Board.

-MONDAY, MARCH 28 - Chamber of Commerce, 7 p.m., Huffman-Koos Furniture Showroom auditorium, St. George Ave.

-MONDAY, FEB. 7 - Township Council, Executive Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, Municipal Building.

-TUESDAY, FEB. 8 - Elementary Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Administration Building, Schindler Rd.

-WEDNESDAY, FEB. 9 - Board of Adjustment, Executive Meeting, 8 p.m., Conference Room, Municipal Building. Library Board of Trustees, Monthly Meeting, library meeting room.

-TUESDAY, FEB. 15 - Regional Board of Education, Adjourned Meeting, 8 p.m., Instructional Media Center, David Brearley Regional High School, Kenilworth.

-TUESDAY, FEB. 22 - Township Council, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Council Chambers, Municipal Building. Elementary Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Administration Building, Schindler Rd. Winter Sports Time for four-and-five-year-old preschoolers, Library, 10:30 to 11 a.m. Registration, Library, 388-5999.

-THURSDAY, FEB. 24 - 4 p.m. Deadline for Board of Education candidates to file for Tuesday, April 5, Election. Information, Elementary, 574-9604. Regional, 376-6300.

-MONDAY, FEB. 28 - Board of Adjustment, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Conference Room, Municipal Building. Board of Trustees, Monthly Meeting, library meeting room.

-TUESDAY, MARCH 1 - Regional Board of Education, Regular Meeting, 8 p.m., Instructional Media Center, Gov. Livingston Regional High School, Berkeley Heights.

Organ unit slates Lew Williams

The Garden State Theatre Organ Society will present its third concert of the current season at the War Memorial at Lafayette and Willow Sts., Trenton, on Sunday, Feb. 20, at 3 p.m. The artist for the occasion will be the young theater organist, Lew Williams, from Arizona.

A native of Lafayette, La., Mr. Williams began playing the organ by ear at 10 years of age. Piano studies began five years later, and upon finishing high school he enrolled at the Texas Christian University as an organ major, studying under Professor Emmet G. Smith.

Upon completing work on his bachelor of music degree, Mr. Williams was awarded the "Performer's Certificate" by the American Guild of Organists, the second in the school's history to receive one, and in 1975-1976 year at the Conservatoire de Musique in Geneva, Switzerland.

There he worked with Pierre Second, the organist of the Cathedral of St. Pierre, studying improvisation and counterpoint as well as the organ. In June, 1976, he gave a recital at the cathedral, which was recorded by the Swiss National Radio.

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Tickets are priced at \$3 to \$6, and \$2 for senior citizens and students. Please telephone number 609-888-0909 for information.

The box office will open at 2 p.m. on the day of the concert.

Hospital cites five from area

St. Elizabeth Hospital honored 1972 employees recently at the Annual Service Awards ceremony in the hospital cafeteria. These employees represent over 10,000 hours of service to the hospital. The ceremony was highlighted by the presentation of service pins to each employee. Sister Margaret Deberry, the executive director, and Michael O'Hea, the director of personnel, officiated at the event, and presented the awards.

A Rahway resident, Pauline McElroy, received a gold lapel pin and two rubies for 20 years of service at the hospital.

Another Rahway resident, Catherine Spiliotis, received a gold lapel pin and two rubies for 15 years of service at the hospital.

Verdie Brown, also of Rahway, received a pin with three rubies for 10 years of service at the hospital.

Charges set for articles on nuptials

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Organ unit slates Lew Williams

The Garden State Theatre Organ Society will present its third concert of the current season at the War Memorial at Lafayette and Willow Sts., Trenton, on Sunday, Feb. 20, at 3 p.m. The artist for the occasion will be the young theater organist, Lew Williams, from Arizona.

A native of Lafayette, La., Mr. Williams began playing the organ by ear at 10 years of age. Piano studies began five years later, and upon finishing high school he enrolled at the Texas Christian University as an organ major, studying under Professor Emmet G. Smith.

Upon completing work on his bachelor of music degree, Mr. Williams was awarded the "Performer's Certificate" by the American Guild of Organists, the second in the school's history to receive one, and in 1975-1976 year at the Conservatoire de Musique in Geneva, Switzerland.

There he worked with Pierre Second, the organist of the Cathedral of St. Pierre, studying improvisation and counterpoint as well as the organ. In June, 1976, he gave a recital at the cathedral, which was recorded by the Swiss National Radio.

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Tickets are priced at \$3 to \$6, and \$2 for senior citizens and students. Please telephone number 609-888-0909 for information.

The box office will open at 2 p.m. on the day of the concert.

Hospital cites five from area

St. Elizabeth Hospital honored 1972 employees recently at the Annual Service Awards ceremony in the hospital cafeteria. These employees represent over 10,000 hours of service to the hospital. The ceremony was highlighted by the presentation of service pins to each employee. Sister Margaret Deberry, the executive director, and Michael O'Hea, the director of personnel, officiated at the event, and presented the awards.

A Rahway resident, Pauline McElroy, received a gold lapel pin and two rubies for 20 years of service at the hospital.

Another Rahway resident, Catherine Spiliotis, received a gold lapel pin and two rubies for 15 years of service at the hospital.

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The Social Scene

Handicapped unit selects Lesniak

The assemblyman who represents Rahway, Raymond Lesniak, was recently named to the Community Relations Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Assn. for the Advancement of the Mentally Handicapped by Raymond Herrgott, the president of the board.

Other committee members are: Louis Vetter, the chairman; Horace Cardoni, Nickie Benson, Miriam Dickman and Lura Giannotta. The Development Committee consists of Aaron Stiller, the chairman; Mr. Cardoni, Samuel Rodriguez, Charles Grillo and Bernice Davis.

The By-Laws Committee is made up of Robert Brogan, the chairman; Bernard Miller and Mr. Vetter.

On the Program Committee are: Nickie Benson, the chairman; Miriam Dickman and Alicia Smith.

On the Personnel Policies Committee are: Mr. Cardoni, the chairman, and Alicia Smith.

The Union County Chapter of the association is a non-profit social service agency, helping mentally handicapped adults lead independent lives within their communities, reports a spokesman.

Her fiancé was graduated from Chaminade High School in Hollywood, Fla. in 1979. He is expected to receive his bachelor's degree in occupational therapy from Florida International University in April.

The couple plan to be married on Sunday, Sept. 4.

'Inn Trouble' to be staged in Westfield

"Inn Trouble" will be staged as the 35th Annual Production of the Washington School Players, formerly the Grant School Players, on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4 and 5, at Roosevelt Junior High School, 301 Clark St., Westfield. Performances are at 8 o'clock each

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Letters to the Editor

Mr. Secor attacks Board purchase actions

On Jan. 17 the Rahway Board of Education held its monthly public meeting at Roosevelt School. During the meeting motions were passed to repair a boiler in the high school for \$5,000.00, another to rent a photocopyer for \$775 per month (plus one-third cent per copy). Also discussed was an impending media action to inform the public of a \$6,000,000 high school renovation.

During the meeting the public was invited to comment and ask questions. One of the matters questioned was the re-tubing of a boiler.

Another question concerned the \$50,000 photocopyer that suddenly was approved as a rental (last month the need for such an expensive copier was challenged and the motion was "tabled"). The pending \$6,000,000 renovation was also challenged.

The Board was first questioned as to whether the boiler repair job was put out for bids as required by law. The Board secretary said the job didn't require bids because the job was an emergency.

Further probing however, revealed the boiler was repaired during the summer, and when fired up "developed more leaks. When further repairs were made, still more leaks developed. One could conclude the boiler has had a known problem since last summer. Frank Brunette, the school superintendent, added this was a back-up boiler used as a standby unit. It would seem no real emergency existed and that repairs, if really needed, should have been taken care of during the summer, and only after having been put out on competitive bids as required by law.

The photocopyer, approved for rental at \$775 per month (plus one-third cent per copy) was also challenged as to why it had not been put out for competitive bids.

The answer was, "Two vendors were asked to bid and did so." The two other companies mentioned were Kodak and I. B. M.

We were told however, since the copier was to be rented, bids were no longer required. It should be noted, the cost of this copier for the next five years will exceed \$50,000. As an aside, I called I. B. M. and Kodak, and one vendor stated he knew of no inquiry for price quotations, the second said he had no contact with the school in over six months.

The selection of the \$6,000,000 renovations architect was questioned. Here again it was asked whether the estimators were asked to bid. The answer was no "there were no competitive bids. The rationale offered for this omission was the firm making the plans is highly regarded in the educational buildings renovations field, and furthermore, competitive bids are not required on the sort of professional services.

I feel the three questionable actions noted above should be challenged. The soundness of the Board's actions should be scrutinized by the public. The interests of the taxpayers and the conservation of capital resources are primary responsibilities of the Board of Education. We should be concerned about the Board's failure to put these three expenditures out for competitive bid.

Failure to put the boiler repairs out for competitive bid because of a contrived emergency, and circumventing the proposed photocopyer purchase by renting it shows dubious resourcefulness at its worst. Failure to consider alternate professional opinion on the proposed multi-million-dollar high school renovation smacks of incompetence.

While these suspect actions of the Board take place, the ultimate responsibility of their actions rests squarely on us, the people of Rahway.

It becomes evident to the one or two citizens that do show up to a monthly meeting of the Board of Education, simply don't understand how things get done. At this past monthly Board meeting, not one other citizen attended. Is it any wonder the Board does as it deems appropriate? No one offers viable alternatives.

The parents of Rahway children must become involved, question and challenge. We must begin at the polls by electing qualified officials, and by attending important meetings, and voicing our opinions.

If we fail to participate in this process, we can expect continued discipline problems, mediocre educational skills and continued decline in buildings that have been literally run into the ground.

...
I have four children in the Rahway school system, instigated a federal investigation of the schools and won, and was the chairman of the suspension-review committee of the Special Education Rahway Parent/School Assn. I am also knowledgeable in business machines and heating systems (both disciplines being my vocations for the past 20 years).

Kenneth P. Secor
1044 Elm Terr.
Rahway, N.J.

First Baptist thanked for housing day care

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following was submitted as an open letter to the congregation of The First Baptist Church of Rahway by Joann (Becker) Gronel, the director of the Rahway Day Care Center.

Dear Friends,
I am sure most of you must know the day care center has made plans to move to a new building in Rahway. We have given notice to your Board of Trustees our last day at 177 Elm Ave., will be on Monday, Feb. 7. Our new location will be at 1071 New Brunswick Ave. Moving is always an exciting and simultaneously painful experience. The First Baptist Church was the birthplace of the Rahway Day Care Center, and has been our home for more than 10 years.

We will be very sad to say goodbye to the many beautiful friendships that have developed between us over the years. We hope to see many of you at our Community Open House, which will take place after we have had time to settle into our new home.

The new day-care site will provide immediate space to enroll several more pre-schoolers, and plans have begun for an infant/toddler program, which will hopefully be ready by Sunday, May 1.

Our Family Day Care Program, which was initiated in 1980, is growing and always improving. Twelve to 16 private homes in Rahway have been accepted to become part of the Rahway Day Care Center Family Day Care Program. Every home must qualify with the city health department and meet Rahway Day Care Center standards in order to become a part of our Family Day Care network and receive program benefits. Our family day care homes greatly increase our potential for providing quality childcare to families who live or work in our community.

We are very proud to have been so closely associated with the First Baptist Church. Without your support and love, we could never have grown beyond the seeds of hope to a reality.

Our work for Rahway families has been a labor of love for the children and the community. We will continue, with the grace of God and the prayers of our many good friends, to thrive and grow for the many future generations of Rahway children.

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FIRE-WISE
Don't get burned by smoking habits

By Rahway Fire Chief James T. Heller
Here's a new angle on the smoking-and-health controversy.

Did you know careless smoking is one of the leading causes of residential fires in the United States today? Of that smoking fires claim more than their share of lives because they so often ignite late at night?

If you smoke, or if someone you love does—here are some easy safety tips.

The "profiler" smoking fire begins with a dropped cigarette. It's so easy to lose one between the cushions of a sofa—or, by kicking a table leg, accidentally to knock a burning butt off the rim of an ashtray.

The "firer" may smolder at an undetectably low level for hours. After the family is asleep, certain nothing is wrong, the fire finally catches, filling the home with smoke and toxic gases.

With a home smoke detector, it's less likely the family in the example above will be asphyxiated. But it's a lot easier to prevent smoking fires than to have to escape from one.

USE LARGE ASHTRAYS. Get the heavy glass types with full rims and deep cigarette slots. Cigarettes and cigarettes are less likely to be dislodged from a hefty ashtray by accidental jostling.

IF A LIGHTED CIGARETTE DROPS, FIND IT. Stop everything until it's been found! If you know a cigarette has dropped deep into a particular piece of furniture, and you can't locate it, take the furniture outside, and leave it out over night. Better to risk having your convertible sofa stolen than to risk it converting your home into an ember.

CHECK FOR DROPPED BUTTS AFTER ENTERTAINING. After the party's over, check under seat cushions and around

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT by Mrs. Eileen Mezzo

School budget work often balancing act

Preparing a school district budget sounds very logical and clear cut, but like most aspects of life, it involves making some difficult choices between idealism and reality.

The Board of Education holds a solemn obligation to meet the educational needs of children. We feel that responsibility most keenly when we decide on budget matters. Balanced against the immediate and long-range goals for the children is the need to present a budget acceptable to the general public.

In the process of doing this balancing act, we keep bumping up against some hard truths:

-1) What the state mandates, it doesn't necessarily fund. We are compelled to provide many programs required by state law, but paid for with local tax money.

-2) Negotiated salary increases and inflation in fixed costs cancel out any gains we might make because of savings. To put it bluntly, it is most cost-effective to educate a larger number of students.

-3) A school budget that doesn't include some funds for program improvement is an indicator that the progress of the school system may be in danger of slowing down.

-4) Dollars for education are more than an investment in the future of our children—they are also a practical protection of our real estate investment. Good schools are an asset to the community, but they do command a price.

...
The budget process begins with teachers and administrators. Before we reach even the midpoint of the school year, they are asked to forecast for the coming year. Based on student enrollment, they project the quantity of books and other supplies that will be needed.

Taking a close look at the needs of the children they are working with, they will also propose new programs. Some of them remain dreams, some are postponed, but others become reality and find a spot in the budget.

Then the Board of Education takes a close, critical look at the proposals, and trims wherever it can without damaging the educational future of the system.

The next step of the budget process involves YOU, the public. A tentative budget is just that: A working document. It can be modified, reduced, extended, or changed in any way until the Board adopts the final budget on Tuesday, March 8.

Before the budget adoption, there will be a public budget hearing. Citizens have the right at the hearing, or at any time before that, to speak out about the budget. Copies of the tentative budget are available in the Superintendent's Office for your perusal.

We are proposing a budget that is \$235,000 under the "CAP" allowance permitted by the state. In line with our decreasing number of students, we are cutting back ten teaching positions.

The current expense part of the budget is up only 4% from last year. On the other hand, there are provisions for two exciting program improvements: An extension of the computer science program, and the beginning of foreign-language instruction in the seventh grade.

Your Board of Education is committed to providing good education at a reasonable cost. We hope you will look over the budget, and we look forward to hearing your questions and opinions.



ANCHORS AWEIGH - Jim Kennedy, an officer of the Kiwanis Club of Rahway, is shown with Greta D. Meyer, a male with the Sea Explorer Ship No. 243, Seahorse. This unit is affiliated with the Watchung Area Council of Boy Scouts of America. Male Meyer explained Ship No. 243 is sponsored by the Rahway Elks, and meetings are held by the group. A recent repair to the ship costing \$7,800 created a financial pinch for the members of Ship No. 243. Additional members, 13 years of age and older, are being sought to bring the crew up to full force. Donations will be welcome, the male reported. The Kiwanis Club of Rahway meets Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. at the Columbian Club in Rahway.



KEEP SMILING...Senior citizens, Dr. Allen Levine and students in kindergarten class at Rahway's Roosevelt School show why good dental care is important.



YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT...A nutrition talk is given by Mrs. Michelle Levine, a registered nurse, at Rahway's Roosevelt School.

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Progress in the schools...



PERFECT ATTENDANCE WINNERS...As part of Rahway's Madison School's Attendance Improvement Plan, Mrs. Catherine E. Snyder shows to boys and girls who made it to school on time everyday for the month, herself included. The flag in the background carries the names of all students and staff with perfect attendance. They are, left to right, first row, Karin Tomkiewicz, Matthew Nieto, Daniel Evans, Richard Eger and Jason Makar; second row, Mrs. Snyder, Eric Wnuck, Bethany Buchanan, Kelly Karnas, Michelle Gilke and Hazima Robinson.

Kumpf School hosts 'Kids Consumerism'

The students in the sixth to eighth grades at Clark's Carl H. Kumpf School were presented with a program on marketing techniques to make the purchasing public.

Into the computer age - Rahway elementary school teachers, left to right, Lynn Merrill, Charlotte Lewis, Diane Shuster, Arlene Daimonaco, Irene Beese and Phyllis Taylor study the introduction to software on a computer at a district workshop held this past week. Over 115 teachers participated in the three-hour session as part of the district in-service education program.



Rahwayans aid college fundraiser

Six alumni and a current student of Union County College have been appointed captains of the college alumni association's Fifth Annual Phantoms to be held on Sunday, Feb. 6, it was announced today by Mrs. Naomi Mirlocca of Union, the chairman of the Union County Alumni Giving Campaign.

Recruitment of volunteers for this all-day event will be coordinated by Lori Geiger, Mary Lou Gray, Neil Makatanas and Mavis Serafin. Lori Kodan and Rose Henderson and Marie Luckhurst, both of Rahway.

Funds raised from the Phantoms will assist the college in the purchase of equipment needed in the 30 computer courses, ranging from data processing to computer applications in mathematics and business, Mrs. Mirlocca said.

In addition, funds will help accelerate the college's long-range plan to provide telecommunications links from the Scotch Plains campus to the Cranford campus and the Elizabeth Urban Educational Center, as well as the Schools of Nursing and Radiography at the Elizabeth General Medical Center in Elizabeth and Muhlenberg Hospital in Plainfield.

Miss Geiger, a practicing nurse at Muhlenberg Hospital, along with Miss Kodan, a nurse at the Elizabeth General Medical Center, will enlist the graduates of the Schools of Nursing of the Elizabeth General Medical Center and Muhlenberg Hospital for the Phantoms.

Both schools are part of the Co-operative Program in Professional Nursing conducted jointly with the Cranford campus and the Elizabeth Urban Educational Center, as well as the Schools of Nursing and Radiography at the Elizabeth General Medical Center in Elizabeth and Muhlenberg Hospital in Plainfield.

Mr. Makatanas, a senior technical advisor with American Bell, will be in charge of contacting the college's Office of Alumni Affairs at 276-2600, extension 208, Mrs. Mirlocca said.

Anyone interested in sharing an hour or two of their time with fellow alumni should telephone the college's Office of Alumni Affairs at 276-2600, extension 208, Mrs. Mirlocca said.

From among the graduates of the associate-in-nurs programs, Mrs. Henderson, the president of Phi Theta Kappa, will assist in involving the current students in this fund-raising effort.

Nine of our states got their names from the river that flows through them - Connecticut, Illinois, Mississippi, Nebraska, Ohio, Oregon and Wisconsin.



BIDDING JOURNALISTS - Dorothy McCall's students pose before their descriptive stories on schoolwork. Their work was part of a writing project recently completed by second graders at Rahway's Madison School. The authors, left to right, are: Suzanne Berkoff, Denise Wilcher, James Elgelow and Brian Hollingsworth.



VICTORS AT POLLS - Recently-elected officers of James Marquis' sixth-grade class at Rahway's Madison School pose for pictures beside their project display case. Drawing class activities for this year, left to right, are: Jennifer Sica, vice president; Kim Yurick, president; and Tara McCull, secretary.

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OBITUARIES

John DeLargy, 82, Democratic aide

John J. DeLargy, 82, of Rahway, died Saturday, Jan. 22, at Rahway Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, Mr. DeLargy had come to this country in 1923, and had lived in New York City for 45 years before he had moved to Rahway 12 years ago.

He had been a sheet metal worker in the Brooklyn Naval Yard for 28 years before his retirement in 1975.

Mr. DeLargy had been a communicant of St. Mark's R.C. Church in Rahway. He had also been a member of the Fifth Ward Democratic Club and the Rahway Democratic Club.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Anne McCanney DeLargy, a son, John J. DeLargy, of Rahway; a daughter, Miss Barbara A. DeLargy of Rahway; a brother, Robert DeLargy of Baltimore, Northern Ireland and a sister, Mrs. Rosalene McAuley of Whittier, Calif.

F. X. Schmidt, 65, ex-Prudential aide

Francis X. Schmidt, 65, of Clark, died Wednesday, Jan. 19, at Rahway Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Newark, he had moved to Clark 26 years ago.

Mr. Schmidt had been an associate manager for the Prudential Insurance Co. in Newark for 47 years until his retirement in 1982.

He had been a communicant of St. John the Apostle R.C. Church and had also been a member of its Holy Name Society, both of Clark.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ernestine Hennen Schmidt, 61, of Clark; two sons, Thomas Schmidt of Jackson, Mich. and Michael Schmidt of Cranford; and a daughter, Mrs. Peggy Franz of Collingwood; a sister, Mrs. Madeline Hahlich of Cranford and seven grandchildren.

Stefan Kania, 69, Hillside machinist

Stefan Kania, 69, of Rahway, died Wednesday, Jan. 19, at Rahway Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Czechoslovakia, he had moved to New York City in 1939. He had lived in Linden for 10 years before he had moved to Rahway 28 years ago.

Mr. Kania had been employed as a machinist with the Bussell Dynamics Co. in Hillside for the past eight years.

He had been a communicant of St. Peter and Paul Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillside.

He had been a member of Masonic Lodge No. 881 of the Free and Accepted Masons of Elizabeth and the Lemko Park Assn. of Monroe, N.Y.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Anna Koska Kania and a brother in Europe.

Morris Abrams, 71, ex-forklift operator

Morris Abrams, 71, of Rahway, died Thursday, Jan. 20, at his home after a short illness.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, he had lived in Rahway for the past 60 years.

He had been employed for 34 years at Allen Industries in Rahway as a forklift operator and he had retired 11 years ago.

Mr. Abrams had been a member of Temple Beth Torah of Rahway, and had also been a member of the Knights of Pythias of Rahway.

Surviving are two sons, Herman Abrams of Rahway and Manny Abrams of Baltimore and a daughter, Mrs. Rose Kosky of Clark and two grandchildren.

Mrs. DePetris

Mrs. Domenica DePetris, 74, of Elizabeth, died Friday, Jan. 21, at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Elizabeth after a brief illness.

Born in Boston, she had been brought to Abbruzzo, Italy, when she was four years old, and had returned to this country and Elizabeth in 1953.

Mrs. DePetris had been a communicant of St. Anthony's R.C. Church in Elizabeth.

Surviving are four sons, Sesto DePetris of Clark, Peter DePetris of Warren, and Victor and Dante DePetris, both of Elizabeth; two daughters, Mrs. Malda Piccirilli of Elizabeth and Mrs. Mary Pollicastro of Edison; two brothers, Pasquale and Antonio DePetris, both in Abbruzzo and nine grandchildren.

Mrs. Hicks, born in Rahway

Mrs. Kathryn J. Hicks, of Fairfield La., Palmetto, Fla., died Saturday, Jan. 22, at home.

Born in Rahway, she had lived in Chatham for many years, maintaining a winter residence in Palmetto for the past five years.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Dorinda H. Sayre and Mrs. Kathryn H. Frampton, both of Palmetto; a brother, Victor Jones of Rahway; a sister, Mrs. Adele Wildford of Chatham and three grandchildren.

Andrew Chupko, 88, 42 years in city

Andrew Chupko, 88, of Point Pleasant, died Wednesday, Jan. 19, at the Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune after a brief illness.

Born in Czechoslovakia, he had lived in Rahway for 42 years before he had moved to Point Pleasant 13 years ago.

He had retired in 1956 after 30 years as a carpenter in Elizabeth.

Mr. Glavitsch, 69, trucking dispatcher

Michael J. Glavitsch, 69, of Rahway, died Friday, Jan. 19, at the Alexian Brothers Hospital in Elizabeth after a brief illness.

Born in Elizabeth, he had worked for Rahway 15 years ago.

Mr. Glavitsch had been a dispatcher for the Bertone Brothers Trucking Co. in Elizabeth for 15 years until his retirement in 1978. Before that, he had worked for many years for the Engle Brothers Trucking Co. in Elizabeth.

Mrs. Lustig, 75

Mrs. Dorothy Lustig, 75, of Brooklyn, died Thursday, Jan. 13, at home.

Born in Newark, she had resided in Brooklyn for the past 45 years.

She had been a credit manager with Lane Bryant in New York City for many years before she had retired 10 years ago.

Mrs. Lustig had been a member of the Bnai B'rith Women, a member of the Ocean Avenue Jewish Center and the Ladies Auxiliary and she had also been a member of the Jewish Organization for Retarded Children, all of Brooklyn.

John Gorda, 92

John W. Gorda Sr., 92, of Linden, died Sunday, Jan. 23, at home after a brief illness.

Born in Austria-Hungary, he had come to this country in 1907, and had lived in Elizabeth before he had moved to Linden 35 years ago.

Mr. Gorda had been a machinist for the Exxon Co. U.S.A. for 35 years before his retirement in 1955, and he had also been a member of the Exxon Quarter Century Club.

Mrs. Szczepaniak

Mrs. Josephine Szczepaniak, 78, of Linden, died Friday, Jan. 21, at her home after suffering an apparent heart attack.

Born in Elizabeth, she had lived most of her life in Linden.

Mrs. Szczepaniak was a founder and communicant of St. Theresa's R.C. Church in Linden and had been a member of its Sokol Club.

Budget meeting moved again

The adoption of the 1983-1984 tentative Rahway school budget, previously scheduled for Jan. 17, has been rescheduled. The 1983-1984 tentative budget will be adopted on Thursday, Feb. 10, at 7:55 p.m., at a special public meeting to be held in the Superintendent's Office at Rahway Junior High School, reports Anthony Rocca, Jr.

Surviving are six sons, William C. and Stephen A. Gorda, both of Clark; John W. Jr., Joseph J., Edward R. and Raymond R. Gorda, all of Linden; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Wolf of Rahway; a brother, Paul Gorda of Linden; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



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State Chamber of Commerce to host Washington dinner

The 45th Congressional Reception and Dinner of the State Chamber of Commerce will be conducted on Thursday, Feb. 3, in Washington, D.C.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Agnes Dick Glavitsch, a daughter, Mrs. Joan Conley, of Rahway; a brother, Joseph Glavitsch of Barham, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Bryant and Mrs. Anne Schrader, both of Cranford; and four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. Bracy, 73

Hamme Bracy, 73, of Elizabeth, died Saturday, Jan. 22, at the Elizabeth General Medical Center in Elizabeth after a long illness.

Born in Camden, S.C., he had lived in Elizabeth for 38 years.

Mr. Bracy had worked for the Adams Carriage Co. in Kenilworth for 12 years until his retirement in 1968.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Marnie Bracy; four sons, James, Hamme Jr., and Stanley Bracy, all of Elizabeth; and John William Bracy of Edison; four daughters, Mrs. Elnora Paige, Mrs. Lottie Hankins and Mrs. Essie Brown, all of Elizabeth; and Mrs. Patricia Paige of Rahway; a brother, James Bracy of Camden, S.C.; two sisters, Mrs. Rosa Jenkins of Richmond, Va. and Mrs. Mabel Brown of Philadelphia; 19 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Library sets programs for children

The Children's Dept. of the Rahway Public Library is now accepting registrations for two program series scheduled to begin in February.

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The Pre-School Story Time series for three and a half year olds will start on Tuesday, Feb. 8. Children may attend at 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. session. A child must be four years old by Thursday, June 30, 1983 to be eligible.

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By Ray Hoagland
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Rahway, which won the conference three of the four years that Lewis was in charge, is a mixture of different classes. Five of its team members: Rodney Robinson, Tom Burke, Stan Wojtkowski, Joe Murray and Bryan Caldwell, saw action on last year's team that finished 7-17. "I didn't set any goals at the start of this season," the coach said. "His Vikings gained the finals of the Union County Tournament last year. In a rebuilding situation, I don't think you should set goals. I just want to be fair to myself. In this league, you can lose three or four in a row, and I want to try and avoid that," he added.

Much of the material is the same as last season, so it is apparent Lewis and his assistant coach, George St. Andriasy, have made the difference. "I'm past the stage as a coach where I have to have a big ego," said Lewis. "I've been extremely lucky. After Roselle, it's a balanced team, and we've been competitive. There are still lots of questions."

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One newcomer who has helped is junior center, Lynn Aikward, who's proven he isn't a rookie. The six-foot, three-inch pivot man is averaging 14.1 points per game, but Lewis would like him to be more aggressive. He has left several games with five fouls, and is now more aggressive. The rejoin returns have been the story for the Indians. Junior guard, Tom Burke, is leading the team in scoring with 15.2 points per game but is in "hot" words, "has to become more consistent and improve his shot selection. He has to be a stabilizing player. He's made strides in the right direction."

Lewis expects a lot more from junior guard, Bryan Murray, who is averaging 8.8 points per game. He's a winner," said Rahway's head coach, Murray, who against

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CHANGING OF GUARD - The oath of office is being administered to the officers who will serve the Rahway Safety Council during the 1983 year by Herbert H. Kiehn, left, the past president. The installation of these officers was held during the council's 42nd Annual Dinner, held at Alpert's Restaurant in Clark on Jan. 12.

The officers, left to right, are: William H. Fee, treasurer; Frederick A. Grimaldi, secretary; Arthur Wheaton, vice president; and Louis R. Rizzo, president.

Louis R. Rizzo heads Safety Council

The Rahway Safety Council held its 42nd Annual Dinner on Jan. 12 at Alpert's Restaurant on Raritan Rd., Clark.

Beginning its 57th year of continuous operation within the city of Rahway, the council once again reaffirmed its objectives, which were and are to this day as follows:

- 1. To promote conservation of human life.
- 2. To promote the safety, health and welfare of the individual in the home, in the streets, in industries, in the schools and in public places.

Present at this affair, in addition to the members, their wives and friends, were guests, Mayor and Mrs. Daniel Martin and the Superintendent of Schools Frank Brunette and his wife, Mrs. Peggy Brunette.

The installation of the recently-elected officers was held, and the oath of office was administered by past president, Herbert H. Kiehn.

The officers who will serve the council in 1983 are as follows:

President, Louis R. Rizzo; vice president, Arthur Wheaton; secretary, Fred-

erick A. Grimaldi; treasurer, William H. Fee; assistant secretary, Andrew Marino; and trustees, Mr. Fee, Mr. Kiehn and Frank Reese.

Mr. Reese enumerated the highlights of the Safety Council's activities during the past two years of his administration. He thanked the council members for their co-operation.

Mayor Martin cited the council for its dedication to the community, and stated any organization with 57 years of service to the city of Rahway is a viable part of that community. What makes Rahway strong is the dedication of the many organizations functioning within our community, he added.

Superintendent of Schools Brunette praised the council for its many years of operation in Rahway. He attributed the success of the group's schools safety program to the efforts of the council members and the school safety advisors. It is appropriate to say "Thank You" for what you do for our School Safety Patrols, he added.

A plaque was presented

to Mr. Reese, the outgoing president, by Mr. Kiehn, citing him for his services to the council during 1981 and 1982.

Past president badges were presented by Mr. Wheaton to Mr. Reese, Mr. Grimaldi and Mr. Kiehn.

Potted flower plants were presented to Mrs. Rizzo, who serves as the hostess to the monthly council meetings, to Mrs. Reese and to Mrs. Carl Carlson for their assistance to the council.

Carl Carlson, the chairman, received the thanks and appreciation of all those present for the successful dinner arrangements, reports Mr. Rizzo.

Martial Arts on exhibit

A Worldwide Martial Arts Exhibit will be held at Downs Hall at Kean College of New Jersey in Union at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 16.

The admission will be free. For additional information, please telephone Student Activities at 527-2044 or Community Services at 527-2213.

Republican Sen. John Ewing of Somerset County to do away with rail passes.

There is no reason why state officials should be given preferential treatment. The money lost on the free rides has to be made up by the commuters or all the residents of this state in the form of state subsidies to mass transit.

There is no way of knowing exactly how much money is lost on free rides for state workers. However, the governor estimates if only 10% of the rail pass-users become regular-paying commuters, N. J. Transit would pick up an extra \$100,000 a year.

Not only will elimination of rail passes save the state money, it will send out a signal such unfair favoritism will no longer be tolerated.

YWCA sets schedule for winter

The Young Women's Christian Assn. of Eastern Union County will begin its 1983 winter program on Monday, Feb. 7. Registration for classes is now being accepted. The YWCA is located on 1131 E. Jersey St. Elizabeth.

The YWCA has expanded its exercise program, and consolidated its education and leisure classes into two noon-hour programs on Tuesdays and Thursdays. These programs will begin on Tuesday, March 1 and on Thursday, March 3.

Some new programs the group is starting this year are: "House of Cards," a weekly card or board game for seniors, to be held every Wednesday at the YWCA from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning on March 2.

Registration is not required, but participants are asked to telephone the YWCA ahead of time in order to have enough tables set for that day. The participants may bring lunch and refreshments will be available. A small fee will be charged.

Legal questions are one of the most often asked questions by women, and on Wednesday evenings beginning on Feb. 9, the YWCA will sponsor a monthly legal-information services program for women.

Lawyers from the area will address specific legal issues each month. Registration is not required, but the participants are asked to call ahead of time in order that a minimum number of participants are present for the lawyers to speak to. The first program will deal with tenants' rights. A slight fee will be charged at each program.

The YWCA is offering its members a number of trips this year.

This winter the group has planned a monthly trip to Atlantic City. The first trip is set for Thursday, Jan. 27. Seats are still available. A minimum number of people are required for this trip. Members and their friends are encouraged to make their reservations as soon as possible.

The next trip is planned for late February. Watch the newspapers for details.

Other trips being planned for the year include Radio City Music Hall, Reading, Pa. and the Paper Mill Playhouse.

For details on membership or class registration, please telephone the YWCA at 355-1500 or visit the YWCA on 1131 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth.

Recreation cagers keep scores close

In Clark Recreation Basketball's third week the results of some of the games reported were:

NAVY, 21; NORTH CAROLINA, 15
Navy outlasted North Carolina in a close game. North Carolina received strong scoring from Bob Firestone, Brian Woods, Michael Mulberry and John De Caro. However, Scott Anger scored 11 points for Navy and Chris Lindquist and Chad Williams rebounded strongly.

DAYTON, 25; U.C.L.A., 16
Dayton outpaced U. C. L. A. With the game tied 10-10 at halftime the Day-

ton Flyers overcame a tenacious U. C. L. A. Bruin team with strong defensive efforts from Harry Mullane, four rebounds and two blocked shots, and Dave Yorke, five rebounds and two blocked shots. The Flyers' offense was centered around Vinnie Pisano and Jimmy Forina, who scored 12 points each. Angelo Fioranza led the Bruin offense, while Matt Lonseth and David Dubinsky anchored their defense. Other Flyers contributors were Dan Redzinski, one for two from the foul line; John Gross, John Braun, Tommy Legie and

Anthony Moore.

NAVY, 28; GEORGETOWN, 8
Navy won its fourth game in a row by beating Georgetown. Lindquist played a superb game, scoring 10 points, playing tremendous defense and rebounding very well. Ed Cozzi and Eric Lipkin kept Georgetown alive. But it wasn't enough. Anger poured in 17 points, and Jeffrey Salowe played his best game of the year.

PITTSBURGH, 34; AIR FORCE, 26
Pittsburgh pulled out to

an early first-quarter, 10-point lead which Air Force was never able to overcome. Pittsburgh's Brian Cannone led all scorers with 18 points. Gianni Provel's 10, Milton Provel's two, Troy Ayr's two, Scott Kocci's one, and Michael Weise's one, rounded out the scoring for Pittsburgh. Paul Clements led Air Force with 11 points, while Terry Mc Dade added eight. Tom Bartus four, Jeff Jadro two and Chris Anderson one. Air Force's defensive efforts were led by Doug Bartus, Joey Davis and Jamie Claudio.

Releases must meet new policy

The Rahway News-Record and The Clark Patriot will no longer accept unsigned letters to the editor or political press releases. All letters and political releases must be signed and include the full names and addresses of all persons submitting them.

In addition, those submitting letters and releases must come to the offices of the newspapers at 219 Central Ave., Rahway, in order to pick up affidavits to signify the authenticity of the letters and releases.

These affidavits may be notarized at the newspaper offices or by another notary public.

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DATELINE: TRENTON

A Legislative Report from Senator Don DiFrancesco

Time to de-rail free ride on trains

I'm sure you've heard of the expression, "there's no such thing as a free lunch."

But you may be surprised to learn there is such a thing as a free ride on New Jersey trains for over 1,000 state employees.

This practice must stop. But first, let me explain how it started.

It all began early in the century as a condition for granting a now-defunct railroad, the Camden Asbury, a monopoly. Written into the law was a provision all members and officers of the Legislature, cabinet officials, state Supreme Court Justices and various other state officials could ride the rails free in New Jersey.

In the decades since then, the size of state government has mushroomed, so has the number of people issued rail passes, and so has the abuse of the free ride.

Right now, almost 1,300 state workers hold rail passes. Since the passes allow unlimited free rides on New Jersey trains, there is no way of knowing if the passes are being abused and used for purposes other than official state business.

Recently, Gov. Thomas H. Kean signed an executive order ordering a new policy to be formulated on the use of rail passes. The governor said in the future the passes only will be used for state business.

I believe the Legislature should go one step further and abolish the rail pass system as the governor recommended. Legislation already has been introduced by

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