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## Search for new super begins this year Brunette expects to retire in June 1992

by Pat DiMaggio  
Rahway's Board of Education will begin a search for a new chief administrator this year, after notification of Superintendent of Schools Frank Brunette's retirement is officially announced in July.

Brunette has targeted an anticipated retirement date of June 1992 and plans to make the official announcement at the board's regular July meeting.

The superintendent began his tenure in the district in 1959 as a science teacher at the Junior High School, then moved in split sessions at Roosevelt School. In 1962, he was transferred to Washington School as assistant principal, and in 1964 he moved to the Grover Cleveland School as principal. From 1965 through 1973, Brunette's assignments included serving as principal of Cleveland, Columbian and Washington Schools. In 1978, he was appointed as superintendent.

Brunette has seen many changes during his tenure in the district, including the closing of two schools and the reorganization of the ninth grade from the Junior High School into the High School. "We have also stabilized and continually improved test scores of students in the district," said Brunette.

One change of which he is most proud is the redistricting of the City. "Years ago, when I was a principal, our Desegregation Plan required that we redistrict by redrawing lines between schools every year," he noted. "It was a source of

disruption to the district—no parent or child wanted to move from school to school." In 1976, he chaired a committee that reorganized district lines. Since then, there has been no major redistricting that has disrupted students.

Brunette also noted that great strides have been made in curriculum and textbook revisions. "We've also accomplished a lot of work with staff development," he said. "We have a much more professional staff than we did 15 years ago. Our staff recognizes that through their improved performance, they can cause children to behave in positive ways. Our teachers today are also teachers of academics. They all have a part in teaching students to read."

The staff in this district has been willing to accept upon every opportunity and has come a long way in the quality of its performance. It has been a united effort.

### Corrick named to replace suspended Pribush

by Pat DiMaggio  
Chief Financial Officer Roger Pribush may be suspended from his tenure position, according to the state Division of Local Government Services. Last week, Division Director Barry Skokowski notified City administrators that their request to suspend Pribush has been granted.

Rahway Business Administrator Peter Velasquez filed a complaint in May with the division, charging Pribush with "numerous violations of both City ordinances and state law," and asked for his immediate removal from office.

The complaint stemmed from allegations of "overexpenditures" of \$642,000 in the municipal budget and \$125,000 in the water utility budget discovered by financial consultant Marvin Corrick, hired earlier this year to go over the City's books.

In his report, Corrick charged the previous administration with overextending the budget by paying bills with unappropriated monies. As Chief Financial Officer, Pribush should be held accountable, according to City officials.

"The financial practices of Mr. Pribush have irreparably harmed the financial stability of the City and will continue to do so, unless he is immediately removed from office," stated the complaint filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Mayor Jim Kennedy said Pribush was suspended Monday without pay. "It is important for the Finance Department to begin effectively working," he said. Marvin Corrick will be rehired on a temporary basis to serve as chief financial officer, until the Office of Administrative Law renders a decision on the removal of Pribush's license. Pribush will appeal his suspension before the state Local Finance Board.

Kennedy on cable talk show June 19  
Join host Richard Leonard and his guest, Rahway Mayor James J. Kennedy, on Suburban Cablevision's TV-3 program, "Downtown: A Talk with—Your Mayor," on Wednesday, June 19, at 8 p.m.

"Downtown" is a live call-in show that gives viewers an opportunity to call their questions in and allows Kennedy to discuss issues of concern affecting residents of Rahway. The call-in phone number is 636-5333.

The program with Mayor Kennedy will be repeated on TV-3 on Sunday, June 23, at 7:30 p.m.

### Board seeks Supplemental Aid to temper cuts

by Pat DiMaggio  
In an attempt to restore programs and positions, Rahway's Board of Education will apply for Supplemental State Aid through the Quality Education Act. At a meeting held last week, the board applied for monies to restore a counselor and teacher in the Alternative Center for Education and an elementary student assistance coordinator.

Before adopting its 1991-92 budget, the board eliminated the positions of a Project ACE counselor and an elementary student assistance coordinator. The budget was subsequently rejected by voters, and an additional \$250,000 was cut by recommendations from Rahway's Municipal Council.

The applications will try to draw funds from Quality Education Act discretionary monies, said Superintendent of Schools Frank Brunette.

The board requested \$106,351 to restore the Project ACE counselor and teacher, and \$55,033 to restore the elementary Student Assistance Counselor.

The board also applied for \$500,000 for a capital improvement project for the expansion of physical education facilities. "In our curriculum, we have been moving toward a whole program of fitness and conditioning in physical education," explained Brunette.

"We do not have a complete facility with conditioning devices and equipment, and we do not have an adequate gym," Brunette explained that the monies would be used to renovate the auxiliary High School gymnasium to serve as a fitness center and instructional area for conditioning.

The district was notified in April that discretionary funds were available by the Commissioner of Education, according to Brunette. The district then decided to write proposals with justification for monies to restore positions and programs lost through past budget cuts.

Police nab man of shoestore  
John H. Taylor, 42, of Rahway, was arrested by police and held in lieu of \$20,000 bail set by Municipal Court on charges of burglary and theft at Mary's Shoes, Lawrence Street, on Wednesday, May 29, at 1 a.m.

Police said Taylor was arrested in the area of the store, to which they had responded after an alarm sounded. A hole had been cut in the cinder block wall to gain entry to the store, and numerous shoes and sneakers were missing, according to police.

An investigation is continuing.

Children of all ages are encouraged to make posters to carry during the March. Prizes will be awarded, and refreshments will be served at the end of the March.

For more information, call 388-2287.



CHAMBER VOLUNTEERS PLANT CITY'S TREES ... Volunteers from Rahway Chamber of Commerce recently spent day of their time planting 17 flowering trees in City's Downtown. Trees were purchased by City under direction of Health Officer Tom Diego. Chamber provided necessary manpower, machinery and mulch. From left, Tom Fitzharris, Ray Jacobbe Jr., Bob Jacobbe and Philip Weaver.

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### Betty Roediger retiring after 32 years

by Pat DiMaggio  
Even though she "loves to work," Betty Roediger has decided to retire after 32 years with the City of Rahway. Ms. Roediger currently works as payroll supervisor in the controller's office and is looking forward to a little free time to pursue her community activities.

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SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE BY ALL-CITY ELEMENTARY BAND ... Forty-eight member Rahway All-City Elementary School Band, under direction of Raymond J. Richards, left, recently participated in "Musical Carousel" adjudication held at Trevel Middle School, Allentown, PA. Band's performance resulted in highest rating (SUPERIOR). Following competition, band spent remainder of day at Donny Park, with evening buffet dinner at Sheraton Jelpert, Allentown. Band members and Lorraine Juzvick, Clarinet; Michael Minier, Trombone; Russell Marchioni, Alto Saxophone; Kathy Rosky, Flute, and Brian O'Leary, Trumpet.

Happy Retirement Betty We'll Miss You

With arrival of warmer weather, Rahway Postmaster Joseph P. Ruffolo has asked dog owners to help protect letter carriers, utility workers and other citizens from the dangers of dog bites.

The Postmaster said that nationally, more than 2,000 letter carriers were bitten by dogs last year.

"In recent years, the public has responded to our plea to keep their pets restrained, and we have seen a decline in bites nationally," Ruffolo said.

"Nevertheless, much is still to be done to eliminate the hazard to our employees and other citizens who might be bitten."

As one step in helping prevent dog bites, Ruffolo announced that the Postal Service is offering dog decals to customers who wish to take part in a campaign designed to alert mailmen to households that contain dogs. These decals are yellow and black, two inches in diameter and may be affixed to mailboxes or doors containing postal slots.

Second-Time Around closing for summer  
Pauline Cranni, Vice President for Ways and Means, has announced that The Deborah League of Columbia will close its Second-Time-Around store for the summer months of July and August.

The store, located at 40 East Cherry St., Rahway, will officially close on Sunday, June 29. There will be a summer sale on all items in the store.