

# Quick Response, Insulation Saves Lake Home Structure

The home of Bernard A. Stets, Pole 26, Warden Place, Harveys Lake, sustained extensive interior damage in a fire which was discovered at approximately 9 p.m. Feb. 5. The immediate response by area fire departments and good insulation were credited with saving the building's basic structure.

The fire was discovered by Mrs. Richard Tattersall, a neighbor. Mr. Tattersall told the Post that he was sitting at home just before the fire was discovered. His geese were squawking and his dog barking. He asked his wife if she could see what was bothering them. She looked out, he said, and screamed that the Stets home was on fire.

She called the fire department while he ran up to the home to see if anyone was inside, he told the Post.

Mr. Tattersall reported that he opened a door and called for the Stets couple. When no one answered, Mr. Tattersall rescued the dog and left.

His daughter, Michelle, meanwhile had located Mr. Stets by phone. He had been visiting his wife, who was recently hospitalized.

Mrs. Tattersall indicated that a sticker on the telephone, which lists telephone numbers of fire departments was helpful to her in making the emergency call. The stickers were distributed by the Jonathan R. Davis

Fire Company, Ictown. Mr. Tattersall noted that other neighbors, including teenager John Van Campen, also notified area fire departments of the blaze.

Firemen and equipment from the Daniel C. Roberts Company at Harveys Lake; the Ictown company, and the Lehman Fire Company responded, according to a spokesman from the Lake fire department. Mr. Tattersall, who had noted but praise for the job done by the firemen, estimated that over 100 men fought the blaze.

Mr. Tattersall, saying that the firemen "really did a terrific job," noted that the Jonathan R. Davis and Daniel C. Roberts fire companies arrived almost at once, with the Ictown crew slightly ahead.

The Lehman department arrived with a pumper and two tankers.

"Each company was very well trained," according to Mr. Tattersall. He was impressed by the fact that the first thing the firemen did was to cool down the five gas tanks at the side of the Stets home. They were "flame red" when the firemen arrived, he told the Post.

When the tankers ran out of water, the men began pumping from Harveys Lake. Very cold, freezing conditions made their jobs all the more difficult.

Mr. Tattersall and the Har-

veys Lake company spokesman both indicated that it was a cooperative effort that saved the house. Mr. Tattersall said he was impressed by the fact that "as soon as the trucks pulled in, the men jumped off; their chiefs gave them quick orders and they were off."

The interior damage is great, according to Mr. Tattersall, because it took so long for the fire to be detected since no one was at home. He added that remodeling work on the home had just been completed three days before the fire.

Part of the remodeling job included the installation of new insulation. It was this heavy insulation which contained the fire inside the structure.

The fire, which is believed to have started in the basement, possibly due to faulty wiring, badly gutted the living room and broke into the attic.

Smoke apparatus was used, as some firemen entered the home, to fight the fire from within.

Mr. Tattersall said the firemen threw out a smoldering chair in which the fire, almost 24 hours later, broke out again.

Firemen remained at the Stets home for approximately three hours. The Women's Auxiliary of the Jonathan R. Davis Fire Department served hot coffee from the Tattersall "snack bus", which Mr. Tattersall opened for the occasion.

# Dallas Senior High Students Attend Classes at Penn State

Dallas Senior High School students are among the 27 area high school juniors and seniors currently attending a 10-week college-level class in engineering graphics and drafting at Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus.

The class which started at the opening of the winter term was made available at no cost to all junior and senior students who had had some instruction in graphics or drafting.

Lee A. Sweinberg, associate professor in engineering, directs the team teaching effort which includes instruction by

Prof. Robert G. Balla, Prof. Thaddeus Olszewski, and other faculty members in the engineering departments.

Dallas students are Dave Bauman, Kerry Kugler, Randy Koeb, Ernie Ashbridge, Tom Duffy, Blake Saba, and Donald Engler.

Other high schools represented include Lake-Lehman, Northwest, Tunkhannock, and Coughlin.

The classes are held each Monday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the engineering building on the local campus.



Shown above with Prof. Lee A. Sweinberg are Dallas Senior High School students who are attending a class at Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus. Kneeling left to right: Dave Bauman, Kerry Kugler, Randy Koeb and Ernie Ashbridge. Standing: Prof. Sweinberg, Tom Duffy, Blake Saba, Donald Engler, and George W. Bierly, campus director.

# Dallas Jr. High News

by Colleen Knapp  
Steve Jones

## Boys Basketball

The boys varsity basketball team was victorious over Lake-Lehman in Tuesday's game by a score of 37-28. High scorers for the Mountaineers were Steve Skammer, 23 points; Sterling Machell, 10 points; Tom Youells and Steve Asby, each with 2 points.

## Girls Basketball

The varsity girls basketball team defeated Plains in an exciting overtime victory, Feb. 6, by a score of 34-28. The team posted a 28-28 tie at the end of the fourth quarter, forcing an overtime.

High scorers were Michelle Kravitsky with 14; Cindy Lefko with 8 points; and Lori English with 8 points.

The junior varsity lost to Plains Junior Varsity, 11-6. Even though the team lost, we held Plains to 11 points.

The team's scorers were Leslie Wolfe with 4 points and Vicki Ehrhorn with 2 points.

## Sights Around School!!

Bill Nolan and Alfred Zolmerowicz making pizza from scratch while other members of the club watched, waited, and then gobbled! Next week, Paul Yarnall and George Ellsworth will be baking brownies for the members of the boys Home Ec Club. There are all sorts of people who want to join the popular group—alas—there are no more openings!

## Intramurals

In this week's game, Homeroom 211, coached by Mr. Straitif, and Homeroom 212, coached by Mr. Suppon, met in a tough battle won by 211, 18-8.

Scorers were as follows: 211—Steve Asby, 6 points; Jeff Besecker, 6 points; Brian Bridger, 4 points; and Clyde Backes, 2 points; 212—Mike

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# Grossman on Planning

## Community Development Should Begin at An Early Age Level

by Howard J. Grossman

Elementary and secondary schools have a significant role to play in community development. City planning has often been a stepchild of government, but new ways to encourage community development can be implemented through the early process of elementary level instruction. Experiments within various school systems have proven this to be the case. Ninth grades in the Reading School District and the Park Forest Junior High School in Centre County have developed programs on community planning. The Bethlehem Area School District has a seventh grade interdisciplinary urban studies program.

Within Northeastern Pennsylvania, experiments have been developed to provide special training in community planning and development. For example, in the Hazleton Area School District a program titled,

*Tomorrow at the Crossroads*, has been established to teach students theories and practices of city planning. *Tomorrow at the Crossroads* is federally funded through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act under Title III of that program. The Hazleton district has three specific projects related to this program. These projects include a program for the redevelopment of the community of Freeland; planning an ideal new town form of government to transportation limitations; planning an incorporation of the myriad municipalities in Northeastern Pennsylvania into one city to eliminate overlapping authorities.

In the Wilkes-Barre Area School District, in Coughlin High School, a program has been utilized to teach home rule, a new governmental modernization program.

Within Luzerne County, a social studies council has been formed consisting of 14 representatives of schools within In-

termediate Unit 18 and this council meets monthly to help develop a coordinated approach toward social studies within the county.

Other areas such as the city of Philadelphia, textbooks have been specifically developed to help train inner-city students regarding community development. An excellent textbook which has been utilized in some school districts has been published by Science Research Associates, and there are many other useful educational tools to help with this type of training at both the elementary and secondary levels.

This apparatus should be continued and widely expanded throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania as a method for developing the best approaches to community development. It is through these techniques that our region's future leaders can obtain training toward developing a background for rational decision making in coming years.

# Calvin J. Tinsley Reports for Duty

Navy Electronics Tech. 2-C Calvin J. Tinsley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie H. Tinsley, RD 1, Dallas, has reported for duty aboard the amphibious transport dock ship, USS Nashville, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Electronics technicians inspect, test and repair electronic equipment used for communication, detection, tracking, recognition and identification.

A 1966 graduate of Dallas Senior High School, he joined the Navy in April, 1966.

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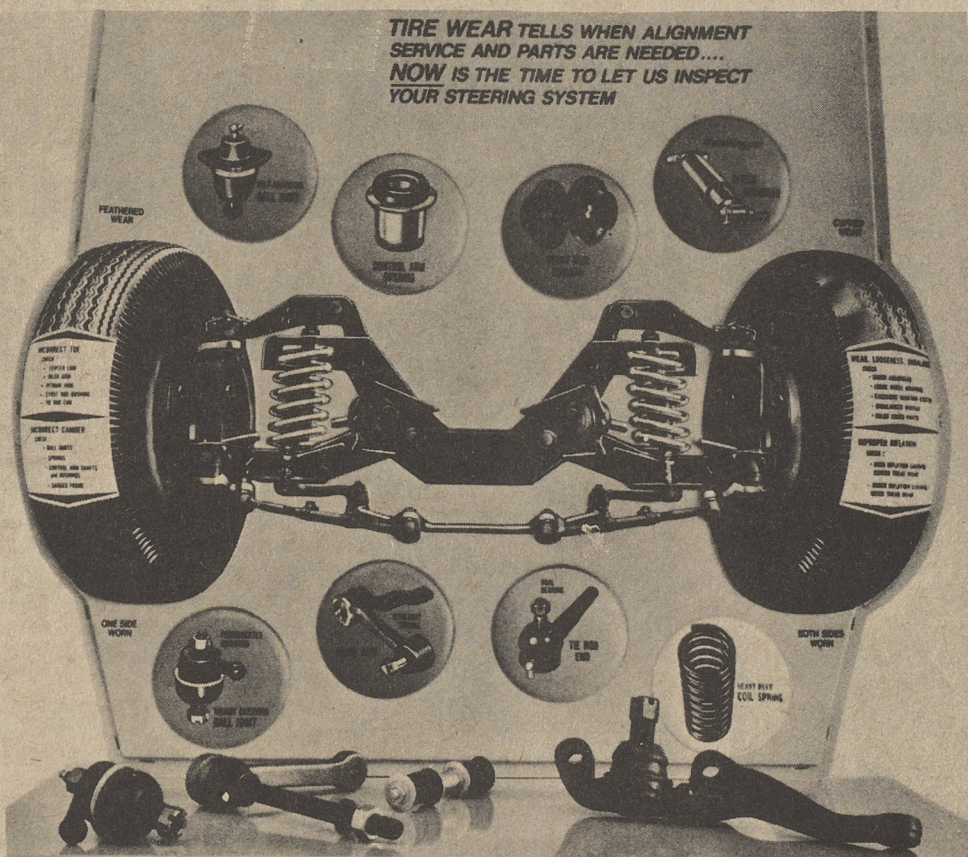
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