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Six Wyoming Seminary students took honors at a recent French contest sponsored by the American Association of Teachers of French. From left, Mary Pavia, Hudson, who placed third in French level III; Stephen Casterlin, Wyoming, first in French IV; Elena Holak, Edwardsville, second in French level III; Herbert Quick, French teacher; Cynthia Collins, Wyoming, who took third in French level III; Timothy Moran, Dallas, first in French level I; Lynda Carle, French teacher; and Roman Mitra, Kingston. Harold Miller also teaches foreign languages at the prep school.

Oak Hill

by Bridgette Corrales 639-5759

When I hear people say the "Good Old Days", I have to smile because to me no matter what shape the country is in or what the price of gasoline is, I feel today is a good day. What's nice about today is that you can still enjoy something from the "Old Days" like Harry James and his swingin' band. Tuesday night I had the good fortune of seeing Harry James and his orchestra at the Irem Temple in Wilkes-Barre and needless to say he was fantastic. At first it seemed that only my husband

and I were bouncing in our seats to the great music, but after a few songs, everyone was with it, the ones who didn't move had to be dead—you just couldn't help yourself. This function was sponsored by the International Management Club of Wyoming Valley and a little bird told me that they intend to bring other great performers to the Valley. Congratulations to Brian Bednar who placed second in Gate of Heaven's Easter candy sale. Brian is now the proud owner of a metallic green 10 speed bicycle. Wedding congratulations to Jack and Mary Gesmundo and Ted and Olga Kostrabala who celebrated their anniversary April 30. Little "Carrot Top" Lenny Burke, celebrated his fifth birthday with a lawn party April 28. Best wishes to Linda Jones who received the sacrament of Holy Communion April 28. A party in her honor was given by her parents for friends and relatives. My "shoes" are off to all the youngsters in our area who walked for the March of Dimes and rode their bicycles for the Bike-A-Thon. They certainly have what it takes. Happy birthday to Mary Weir who will celebrate her "upent-th" birthday May 2. Mary really isn't getting older, it's trying to squeeze into the little station wagon that gives her the aches. Tom Yoniski Jr. enjoyed his nine-year old birthday with a dinner party for several friends. A reminder to all mothers of altar boys in our neighborhood, this coming weekend is the annual Altar Boy Bake Sale, so remember to bake something nice and donate it to the sale. C.C.D. classes for the elementary school children in our area will be held at Gate of Heaven May 5 from 9 to 12. The school of religion at Gate of Heaven will hold its bi-monthly paper drive the week-end of June 8 and 9. Several local couples attended the annual Ladies Night Dinner-Dance sponsored by the International Management Club Saturday evening. The Gesmundos, Tomasellis, Di Giosas and Corrales enjoyed themselves as they tripped the light fantastic. On April 26 Adele Corrales was surprised with a birthday party in school where 60 classmates took pleasure in eating the goodies. If that wasn't enough, at 3 o'clock that afternoon, 10 chatty little girls attended her house party. Following the dinner, yours truly accompanied them to the miniature golf range where they had a ball.

PG&W Closes Doors Of Pittston Office

The longstanding Pittston office of Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company will be closed by the utility April 26. According to company officials, closing the office is in line with the trend in the utility field and is part of the transition the company is now undergoing in modernizing and automating its customer accounting and communicating systems. Customer records now administered at the Pittston office are being transferred to the company's enlarged consumer service office at 41 N. Main St., Wilkes-Barre. Arrangement has been made by the utility for the telephone number no longer assigned to its Pittston office to be transferred and installed as a "foreign exchange" line direct to the Wilkes-Barre office so that customers accustomed to calling the number when contacting Pennsylvania Gas and Water Company may continue to dial the same phone number. In addition, 24-hour telephone service is available for customer inquiries at 824-8711.

Rotary Conference Hears NBC Newsman

The Rotary District Conference at Pocono Manor heard Robert Goralski, NBC News, as the main speaker after the Governor's Banquet. Mr. Goralski spoke on the problems facing the United States and what organizations can do to help solve them.

The April 18 meeting of the Dallas Rotary Club saw a film on salmon fishing in Newfoundland. Bill Shaner, who handled the program for the evening, obtained the film from the Osterhout Library.

Dallas Rotary President Mert Jones announced the Kiwanis Club of Nanticoke is presenting "King Henry and the Showman," a live concert direct from Las Vegas on May 19 at the John S. Fine High School auditorium in Nanticoke.

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Obituaries

IRIS L. BENSOTER

Iris L. Bensoter, Evergreen Estates, RD 1, Sweet Valley, died April 25 at her home. She was 53. The cause of death is being investigated by Chief Deputy Coroner Joseph Shaver. Born in Union Township she was a member of the Roaring Brook Baptist Church, Hunlock Creek.

She is survived by her sons, Alvin, RD 1, Gouldsboro; Jacob, Plattsburgh A.F.B., Plattsburgh, N.Y.; Randolph, at home; daughters, Sharon Bensoter, RD 1, Gouldsboro; Julie Bensoter, at home; mother, Mabel Lamoreaux, RD 1, Hunlock Creek; brother, Luke Lamoreaux, RD 1, Hunlock Creek; sisters, Ruth Ramage, Hallstead; Hazel Hall, Alfred, N.Y.

Funeral services were conducted from the Clark Platt Funeral Home, Hunlock Creek, Monday. The Rev. James Hamilton officiated. Interment was in Bloomingdale Cemetery, Shickshinny.

RALPH SAMUEL HESS

Ralph Samuel Hess, Kunkle, died Saturday afternoon while raking leaves in his yard. He was 63.

Born in Dallas Township, he was a life resident of the area. He was employed by the Irem Temple Country Club for 40 years prior to his retirement 11 years ago. He was a member of Kunkle United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his widow, the former Myrtle Elston; daughters, Mrs. Claude Warden, Shavertown; Mrs. Durland Edwards, Swoyersville; sisters, Frances Hess and Mrs. Russell Honeywell, Dallas; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday from the Disque Funeral Home, Dallas. The Rev. Henry E. Westfield, pastor of Kunkle United Methodist Church officiated. Interment was in Fern Knoll Cemetery, Dallas.

FREDERICK D. COOLE

Frederick D. Coole, Noxen, died at his home Saturday night. He was 74.

Born in Lectionia, he was a member of the Independent Bible Church, Noxen. He was employed by the Armour Tannery Company, Noxen, as a maintenance foreman before his retirement.

He is survived by his widow,

the former Ellen Hale; daughters, Mrs. Herman Pease and Mrs. James Berger, Kenmore, N.Y.; Mrs. James Byrne, San Jose, Calif.; sons, David, Knox; William, Noxen; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandson; sister, Mrs. Lewis Younkens, Jersey Shore, N.J.; brothers, Earl, Gaines; Stanley, Salamanca, N.Y.; Harold, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday from Marshland Methodist Church. The Rev. Jerry Tallent, pastor of Independent Bible Church, officiated. Arrangements were made by Nulton Funeral Home, Beaumont. Interment was in Knowlton Cemetery.

SUSAN DUDA

Susan Duda, 64 Pine View Road, Dallas, died April 24 in General Hospital. She was 81.

The former Susan Stanaslow, she was born in Edwardsville and was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas.

She is survived by her husband, Mrs. Frank Howatch, Swoyersville; Irene Duda, Carverton; Victor, Bloomfield, N.J.; Leo, Hampton, Va.; Frank, Glen Burnie, Md.; Mrs. John Dobranski, San Diego, Calif.; Mrs. Emerson Steele, Peter and Paul, Dallas; Jacob, Petersburg, Va.; Andrew, Wayne; 26 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted from the Disque Funeral Home, Dallas, Saturday. Requiem Mass was held in Gate of Heaven Church. Interment was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton. A rosary was recited Friday.

V. WILLIAM SHEDLESKI

V. William Shedleski, 445 N. Gates Ave., Kingston, was pronounced dead on arrival at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, April 29, the apparent victim of a heart attack.

The operator of the Dallas Motel until his retirement last year, he was born in Plymouth and moved to Kingston as a young man. He was the former owner of the Sunshine Beverage Company, Kingston.

A member of St. Ignatius Church, Kingston, he was an avid golfer and won a number of area course championships. He has a trophy awarded in his name for the senior top golfer in the annual Dan Donnelly Memorial Tournament.

Mr. Shedleski is survived by his widow, the former Ann Hogan; daughter, Maureen Brady, Warrington; seven grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Peter Zdancewicz, and brother, Theodore, both of Kingston. A son, William Jr., died Sept. 17, 1972.

Funeral services were conducted April 23 from the Boyle Funeral Home, Kingston. A Requiem Mass and Christian wake was held in St. Ignatius Church, Kingston. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Hanover Township.

MICHAEL LASCO

Michael Lasco, Box 661, Montoursville, RD 2, formerly of Center Moreland, died April 24 at his home. He was 72.

Born in Kingston, he resided in Center Moreland for most of his life. He owned and operated a poultry farm in Center Moreland for over 50 years prior to his retirement in 1971. He was a member of the board of trustees of St. Mary's Byzantine Rite Catholic Church, Kingston, for more than 20 years.

He is survived by his widow, the former Julia Pocono; daughter, Mrs. Roger S. Wertz, Montoursville; one grandson; sisters, Susan Dukas, Scranton; Julia Brown, Swoyersville; brothers, George, Sweet Valley; Stephen, Tunkhannock. Funeral services were conducted Saturday from the Simon S. Russin Funeral Home, Plains, with Divine Liturgy in St. Mary's Byzantine Church. Parastas services were conducted Friday by the Rev. Robert Radvansky, pastor of St. Mary's Byzantine Church. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Dallas.

DANIEL W. MILLER

Daniel W. Miller, 470 Beaumont St., Warrior Run, died April 24 at Retreat State Hospital. He was 86.

An elder and Sunday School teacher in Welsh Presbyterian Church, Warrior Run, he was born in Luzerne. He was employed as a cabinet maker and carpenter by Sterling Hotel in Wilkes-Barre and prior to retirement he worked as a mechanic at Hess-Goldsmith Silk Mill, Wilkes-Barre.

He is survived by his widow, the former Mary Ellen Thomas; daughter, Mrs. Mary Hoffman, Bucks County and one granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted Friday from Welsh Presbyterian Church, Warrior Run. The Rev. James A. Cara, pastor of Welsh Presbyterian Church, officiated. Arrangements were made by Daniel J. Reese Funeral Chapel, Plymouth. Interment was in Denison Cemetery, Forty Fort.

Mrs. Tattersall Visits in Europe

Mrs. Richard Tattersall, Harveys Lake, is spending 14 days in Europe. She is visiting relatives in Ireland and friends in Scotland and England.

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