

Larksville

by Anne Neyhard
 Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yechimowicz, West State Street, who celebrated their 23rd wedding anniversary June 30. They were married in Franklin Street Primitive Methodist Church, Plymouth, by the Rev. Richard Purnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Yechimowicz are the parents of five children: Joseph, Claude, Martin, Wayne and Roxann. Mrs. Yechimowicz is the former June Royer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Royer, Plymouth.

Corey Shaw, Second Street, is a patient in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

The Larksville Lions Club held their installation dinner recently at Meneguzzo's Restaurant, Pringle. Leo Koury of the Hanover Township Lions Club was toastmaster.

The officers installed were Edward Oblick, president; Richard Kraynak, first vice president; Ronald Kachinko, second vice president; Stanley Wirbicki, third vice president; Stephen Rentko, secretary; Joseph Yeager, treasurer; Edward Geist, financial secretary; John Solovey, lion tamer; Bernard Kachinko, tail twister; George Koch and Bernard Kachinko, directors for two-year terms; John Solovey and Joseph Yeager, directors for one year.

Donna Simon, a student at Wyoming Valley West High School, was one of 27 persons who participated in a special orientation course at Presbyterian University of Pennsylvania Medical Center. She took part in the program which acquaints students with the center's professional school of nursing and career opportunities in nursing. The participating students were given a comprehensive tour of the center and also assisted nurses in non-critical duties of patient care.

Due to a typographical error in last week's column, it was Dr. Martin Tansy who was awarded the research grant.

July 4 was not only our country's birthday but the 44th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gimble, First Street. They were married in St. Stephen's Church, Plymouth, by the Rev. Stephen Gurcik.

The couple have eight children: William, Joseph Jr., Raymond, Marie Derby, Elizabeth

Chackan and Pauline Sasser, all of Larksville; John, West Naticoke, and Shirley Tomchak, Plymouth. They also have 15 grandchildren. Mrs. Gimble is the former Helen Astary of Larksville. The couple was honored at a family garden party at their home.

Ed, Betty, Ron and Kathy Motyka, Carleton, Michigan, spent the weekend with my parents, Bill and Mary Motyka, Oak Hill, Dallas. While they were here, they visited family and friends in Larksville. My dad and Uncle Ed are the sons of the late Felix and Margaret Motyka, Sixth Street.

Larksville Lions Club awards for academic achievement were presented at Awards Day ceremonies at Wyoming Valley West High School to Ann Gold and Ann Marie Kalamowicz. Miss Gold was a member of the ALPS sorority, school chorus and junior prom committee. Miss Kalamowicz was a member of the civics and sewing clubs. Congratulations to Ann Marie and Ann.

Larksville council chairman Charles Brodi resigned his post at the recent council meeting. Vice chairman Harry Shewan was voted unanimously as the new chairman. Mr. Brodi was then voted unanimously to the vice chairman's post.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yarmel recently celebrated their seventh wedding anniversary.

Don't forget the Larksville Volunteer Fire Company No. One's festival this weekend. The parade will be on Saturday and will start from St. Anthony's parking lot and will march from Wilson to State Street and then to the Fire Company's grounds.

Eight trophies will be awarded in the following categories: largest uniformed company in line of march; best appearing company in line of march; largest ladies auxiliary in line of march; best appearing fire apparatus; finest appearing combination apparatus; oldest fire apparatus, hand or motor; finest appearing rescue squad; and a special award will be given at the judges' discretion. So come and enjoy the fun!

Plans are underway for St. John the Baptist Church festival to be held Aug 16-18. Anyone desiring to help this year is most welcome. We need everyone to make the festival a success.



Photo by Alex Rebar

The Back Mountain Cultural Center's officers Howard Grossman and John Sheehan present a special award to Sister Miriam Teresa.

Cultural Center Elects New Directors

The Back Mountain Cultural Center held its first annual meeting at the Overbrook Inn recently and elected its officers and board for the new 1974-75 season.

Elected as president for a second term was Howard J. Grossman. Other officers included John Sheehan, vice-

president; Maureen Purcell, recording secretary; Tobi Grossman, corresponding secretary; and Ed McLaughlin, treasurer.

Three board members were elected for three year terms. They include Jane Morris, Diana Dreher and Rebecca Loveland. Nine other persons serve on the Center's board of directors.

The first annual meeting attracted forty persons who heard a year end report on past center activities including classes of instruction, exhibits, membership, programs, etc. Year end membership totaled over 325 which meant that the center served well over 1500 persons.

Additionally, the center honored College Misericordia with a special award for their services to the community in helping to sponsor the Cultural Center and providing re-

sources, space, and other special assistance during the center's first year.

A special plaque was presented to Sister Miriam Teresa, president of College Misericordia who was present to receive the award. Mr. Grossman presented the award and stated that "the center was pleased to honor the outstanding work of the college in helping to make the task of the center easier during its first year. College Misericordia has earned the respect of the community and the staff has greatly made the work of the center easier and more effective through their dedication in making the college part of the community and the community part of the college."

The center further noted that it looks forward to a productive second year of service to the Back Mountain community.

Library Auction Needs Baked Goods

Dallas Women of Kiwanis, in charge of the baked goods booth at the annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction, has asked all residents of the area to bake cookies, cakes, breakfast buns, rolls, bread, pies, tarts, etc.

Baked goods should be taken to the booth anytime during the auction July 12, 13 or 14.

If residents are unable to deliver their donations, they are asked to call Gail Barry, 675-5119, or Gwen Meister, 675-2002, for pick-up

It Pays To Advertise

Dallas Recreation Center Plans Games and Activities

Many children from the Back Mountain area are now in the process of taking orders for hoagies to support the sale sponsored by the Dallas Recreation Center. The hoagies are 85 cents each. They will be delivered by the children July 13. Hoagies may also be picked up at the recreation center. If anyone wishes to order hoagies and has not done so, he may call the Recreation Center at 675-4574.

A dance was held at the Dallas Recreation Center July 5, 8:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. Music was provided by "Shadow".

Boys in grades four, five and six can still register for the basketball league. Games will be played at the recreation center on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Fourth graders

will play 12:30-1:30. Fifth graders will play 1:30-2:30 and sixth graders will play 2:30-3:30.

The first fifteen minutes will be a clinic-type instruction. The first day of play was July 2 but names are still being taken for participation in the league. This program is being directed by Ed Labatch.

A cheerleading clinic will be held for girls ages 12-16. This clinic will be held July 22-26, 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon. The girls will be taught various cheers and pom-pom routines and will go through daily warm-up exercises, tumbling drills, etc.

The cheerleading clinic is under the direction of Diane Masoner and Pat Shuleski. Girls may register by calling the center on July 15.

This year, the recreation

center will also hold a twirling clinic. Girls ages 12-16 may participate. The twirling clinic will be held sometime in August. A variety of marches and routines will be taught and demonstrated by Patti Turpak, a former Dallas Senior High School head-majorette. More information on the twirling clinic will be presented at a later date.

A new program added to this year's activities at the Dallas Recreation Center is a senior horseshoe league. This program will be open to adults, 18 years and older.

Tentatively planned is a men's doubles league. The matches will be played during the evenings at the center and standard rules will be in effect. Any two-man team in the Back Mountain interested in registering may do so by stopping in at the recreation center or by calling 675-4574.

A great deal of interest has already been expressed concerning the mixed-doubles league and many husband and wife teams have already called for information. Both divisions will be set up and play will begin in mid-July. Awards will be given to the winning teams. A well-attended program is anticipated.

A ping-pong tournament will be held at the recreation center July 17. Registration for the tournament is July 12. All interested boys and girls, ages 10-17 may participate.

Many games and activities are scheduled for mornings and afternoons along with the various special events, clinics and tournaments. There is always something going on at the recreation center and everyone is urged to come to the center and make the most of these activities.

Coast Guard to Demonstrate Techniques of Water Rescue

Water rescue techniques for the education and entertainment of area residents will be presented at Harveys Lake by the Wilkes-Barre office of the Coast Guard recruiting service and Flotilla 5-10, Coast Guard Auxiliary of Bloomsburg. The program will be held on July 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Sandy Beach-Sandy Bottom area of Harveys Lake. Rain date is July 21. Announcer for the events will be Chief Petty Officer Michael G. Sowden of Mountaintop, who is in charge of the local office. The entire program will also be broadcast by the Wilkes College radio station WCLH-FM, 90.7 mhz. Spectators are advised to bring FM radios so they can hear the program as well as watch it.

A helicopter will be brought here from the Coast Guard Air Station, Brooklyn, N.Y. Included in the program will be rescue demonstrations by the Coast Guard helicopter, personal flotation devices, fires and their prevention, distress signals and devices, recovering a man overboard, recovering a capsized sailboat, towing and refloating a vessel aground.

For the entertainment of spectators there will be a sky diving exhibition, a scuba diving demonstration and a water ski show. Chief Sowden advises persons planning to watch from boats to use anchors. The entire program is free of charge and a big turnout is expected.

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