

Know your neighbor

Janet Fitzgerald aims for skating competition

Tall, slender, brunette Janet Fitzgerald will make her bid for first place in the state figure skating competition in May. If she places in the state competition, she will qualify for regionals and then, if successful, make a bid for

the national championship in figure roller skating. Janice, who started skating when she was five, is not new to competitive skating. Recently she competed at Carolier, N.J. and missed the finals by one point. She derived satisfac-

tion from the fact that although missing the finals she defeated the New York State champ who had placed first at Blue Ridge, outside of Montrose.

The Back Mountain homemaker also entered the Blue Ridge competition and captured third place. Prior to that, she skated at South Amboy, N.J. in November and came in 17th among competitors from seven states, one of them the New Jersey regional champion.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Burezyk of Nanticoke, Janice came from a skating family although her parents, brother and sister skated only for the sport.

Janice enjoyed it so much that at the age of 14 she started taking private lessons at Hazleton. She continued her skating, working for proficiency, going before judges for evaluation on merit.

Warren Fitzgerald then came into Janice's life and following her graduation from Nanticoke High School they were married. Warren was a native of Dallas and he met his wife through his sister who was married to Janice's brother.

Soon after their marriage in 1962, Janice and Warren moved to Connecticut where he was employed by Fafner Ball Bearing Co. The Fitzgeralds then moved to Canada where Warren attended Bible School for two years after which they

settled in Seattle where they spent two years in church work before returning to the Back Mountain eight years ago.

Janice discontinued skating when she married Warren and stayed at home to raise their three children, Susan, 12, a student at Dallas Junior High; David, 10, a student at Dallas Intermediate; and Kenny, age seven, student at Dallas Township Elementary School.

When they first returned from the West Coast, the Fitzgeralds lived in Shavertown but later purchased their home in Kunkle where they now reside. For the past six years, Warren has been an employe of Dallas Dairy.

Now that the children are older, Janice is back on her roller skates. She did not find it difficult to pick up her skating where she left off more than 10 years ago but she did discover that the procedures for competitive skating are entirely different. Techniques used to be American styled today they are international.

In earlier years, Janice did more skating with a partner but now she has concentrated on figure roller skating, working alone rather than with someone. The Lithe, attractive skater is looking forward to the next few years when roller skating will become one of the accepted athletic events of the Olympics.

She has taught Warren

how to skate although he does not perform competitively and the three children are also good on skates. Kenny's specializes in speed skating, David is concentrating on dance, and Susan is working with figure skating.

Janice practices on the average of three full days each week at the Skateway in Wilkes-Barre. She skates for at least two hours Wednesday mornings, Wednesday afternoon, all day Saturday, and

at least one afternoon and one evening other days of the week. Her instructor is Jack Britland of Allentown, who works three days each week with her. His hope is that Janice will make it to the nationals this year in Texas.

"Busy people are the busiest," is often heard said and that is true with Janice. She works four nights each week as a waitress at Mark II restaurant. She is also involved in

church work and has taught Sunday School and been a member of the choir. Janice also plays the piano which she learned without taking lessons.

The young homemaker likes the out-of-doors and thoroughly enjoyed working in their large garden last summer. She likes living in the Back Mountain especially out where they are, because of the open space and plenty of fresh air.

Her busy schedule does

not give her time to become active in many organizations but she is a member of Skateway Skating Club and the Independent Bible Church at Noxen.

She attributes much of her success in roller skating to the understanding and cooperation of her husband and children who go with her as often as possible. They are a "big encouragement to Janice - 'my moral support'", she says.



Janice Fitzgerald

Oak Hill

by Bridgette Correale

For the past three weeks, families living on Pine Street and Hemlock Drive, have been experiencing low water pressure; foul tasting water; or no water at all.

After speaking with The Lomma Water Company on and off for three weeks, I've come to the conclusion they do not know what the problem is. One day they told me there's a break in the line somewhere and they have to wait for the temperature to rise in order to begin repairs. Another call, they said the electrical timer in the pump house was giving them trouble.

One of the many annoying factors in this problem is that neighbors who have called to complain are all given different reasons for this problem. A letter from the water company stated that repair work will begin Monday, Feb. 16 through Feb. 18.

The Batka's, Charlie, Eileen, Karen and Chuck have returned from their winter vacation in Florida. Congratulations to Stan and Isabelle Chilson who will celebrate their wedding anniversary this month.

Happy birthday Uncle

Harry Marquis.

Sorry to report that Marge Angelicola is a medical patient at Geissinger Medical Center in Danville.

Another lovely from Oak Hill, Pam Phillips was selected as Miss Senior at Lake-Lehman High School.

Happy birthday to Martha Hession who will be blowing out birthday candles Feb. 27 and to Johanna Schleich, Feb. 21.

Tom and Jane Yoniski will honor their 13th wedding anniversary Feb. 23. The very best to my good friends.

by Virginia Hoover

Sincere sympathy to the family of the late Jesse W. Rogers of Lehman Heights, who died Sunday morning. Survivors are his widow, Martha Lamoreaux, and daughter, Vera Hoover, and Mrs. William Weaver.

Also sympathy to the relatives of the late Clifford Ide of Dallas. Mrs. Ide and son Dean, a great car lover, had passed away a few years ago.

Mrs. Gaile Ales is home from the hospital. Morton Connelly was a surgical patient at Nesbitt Hospital but is now home.

Not only were the residents of High Point Acres shocked over the death of their neighbor Ed Rees, all of the Back Mountain community was and to his widow Betty and children, we extend our deepest sympathy.

Birthday greetings to Greg Gieson, who celebrated his seventh birthday, Feb. 14, with a party for friends and classmates.

Wish to welcome the Mulligans, new residents to our little corner of the world. The family has recently moved into the

Senick's former home on Hilltop Drive.

Seldom do I view TV but these past two weeks, I've been glued to the tube enjoying the Olympic Games. Through the courtesy of ABC millions of Americans were able to feel the joy, anxiety, nervousness and the heartbreak of the competitions. With all the 'R' rated programs that are being shown on television nowadays, I'm happy to rate this American Broadcasting Company coverage as A plus excellent.

Trayce and Terianne were weekend visitors of Pat's mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hoover. Elmer Hoover is improving very good. He has been spending his time lately cleaning ice off of sidewalks, which there has been a lot of.

Several children who have celebrated their birthdays this month have been Gail Heller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Skip Heller, Idetown, and also their two grandchildren Sandy and Obbie Honeywell of Lake Silkworth.

Idetown News

Saturday night at 6:30 the Idetown Couples Club will meet at the church house.

There will be a rummage sale at the Idetown United Methodist Church on April 29th and 30th. Items for this sale can be received now at the church house.

Fred Webber has completed his basic training at Lackland Air Force Base.

Happy birthday to Don Boice, formerly of Idetown, who is celebrating a birthday this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Long and daughters, Tricia,

Kingston Twp.

by Sally Riegel
696-3185

will play Commonwealth Telephone Co., Wednesday, 8 p.m. at Dallas Township Elementary School.

Sylvia Wills, Hillcrest Ave., Shavertown, has returned home from Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, where she was a patient for several weeks.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church basketball team

G. Reimer, Bangor, has returned home after spending the weekend with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Voorhees, and

family, East Center Street, Shavertown.

The Dorcas Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church held a meeting on Feb. 20 in the social rooms of the church. Hostesses were Ruth Ide, Sally Cartwright, and Alicia Shrey.

Plans were made for a rummage sale in the spring

and a bazaar in the fall.

They will hold a meeting the second Tuesday in March at 7 p.m.

Practice for Fastnacht will be held Feb. 24.

The Big Kids of St. Paul's Lutheran Church are planning a sleigh riding party for Saturday night.



MORNING SPECIAL
6 to 11 a.m.
PANCAKES & SAUSAGE \$1.49
Coffee or Tea

Weekend Specials



THURSDAY

Homemade Baked

LASAGNE

Tossed salad, Italian bread

\$2.45

FRIDAY

Baked filet

HADDOCK

with creole sauce
potato and vegetable

\$2.45

SATURDAY

Fresh roast

HAM

sliced apple ring, mushroom
dressing, whipped potato,
vegetable

\$2.99

SUNDAY

Baked stuffed

PORK CHOP

applesauce, whipped
potato, vegetable

\$2.99

SUNDAY

Virginia baked

HAM

raisin sauce, potato,
vegetable,

\$3.45

SUNDAY

**Dinner
STEAK**

baked potato, sour
cream, tossed salad

\$3.25

SUNDAY

**Stuffed
CHICKEN
BREAST**

peach half, cranberry
sauce, choice of
potato

\$2.99

Above includes roll & butter. Vegetables: whipped potato, baked potato, candied yam, green beans, buttered corn.

HOLIDAY PANCAKE HOUSE

MOUNTAINTOP

S. Mt. Boulevard

7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. 7 days a week

LUZERNE

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OPEN 24 HOURS EVERYDAY

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7 a.m. to 10 p.m. 7 days a week