

# EDUCATION

## Dallas schools to participate in state assessment

In the first week of March, fifth, eighth and eleventh grade pupils in the Dallas Schools will be participating for the second time, in the Educational Quality Assessment (EQA) program administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Dallas Schools previously participated in the statewide EQA program during the 1973-74 school year.

"The advantage of Dallas's re-assessment of our fifth, eighth, and eleventh grade students," said superintendent Linford A. Werkeiser, "is that we will be able to obtain valid longitudinal comparisons of our school using the identical assessment instruments and procedures used three years ago. This will be an excellent opportunity for us to study our strengths and weaknesses and determine what changes, if any, should be implemented in our total school program."

"We may also determine the effectiveness of those program changes that have been made since 1974. The information will be most helpful to the Citizen's Advisory Committee developing a Long Range Plan for the district."

Students' performance on Pennsylvania's 10 goals of quality education serve as the basis for the statewide assessment and include: Goal I-Self-Esteem; Goal II-Understanding Others; Goal III-Basic Skills (Verbal and Mathematics); Goal IV-Interest in School and Learning; Goal V-Societal Responsibility (Citizenship); Goal VI-Health and Safety Practices; Goal VII-Creative Activities-Recognition; Goal VIII-Career Awareness; Goal IX-Appreciating Human Accomplishments; and Goal X-Coping with Change.

Dallas is one of more than 100 school districts which will participate in the assessment this year. The 600-plus participating schools will receive their EQA results next fall. Along with those from Dallas, about 100,000 fifth, eighth, and eleventh grade students throughout the Commonwealth will be completing EQA questionnaires during the first two weeks of March.

The assessment is not a device to standardize the curriculum as specific subject matter plays a minor role in the survey, school officials said. It is intended to give schools

information about what their students know and feel, their teachers' perception of the school and community, and how these attitudes compare to those in schools throughout the Commonwealth. More specifically, the survey considers the attitudes, values, beliefs, habits, and basic cognitive skills thought to be important in the development of children. Students do not put their names on their answer sheets so there is no record of how any individual answered the questions.

Teachers also respond to a questionnaire concerning classroom practices, teacher experience, community conditions and other variables. All of the information received is combined with additional background information on file in the state Department of Education to form the school report.

A report will be compiled for each school to give us objective information about how schools compare to others throughout the state and moreover, to other schools that are similar. Such hard data is intended to combat the folklore and testimonial aspect of the usual assurances that one has a good school.



PEANUTS SURPRISE--Happiness was the keynote of Wyoming Seminary's recent winter formal, "Peanuts Surprise." Waiting in line at "Snoopy's Sensational Kisses" booth are shown above, from left: James Pall, school chaplain; Karen Klassner, girls' sports coach; Mike Herbert, East Lyme, Conn.; Beth Jennings, Dallas; Sue Morris, W. Pittston; Scott Parkhurst, Trucksville; Nancie Norris, Pittston; Jim Rogers, West Milton; Anne Heffernan, Shavertown; Dave Judy, Hollidaysburg; Barbara Lumia, Bear Creek; and Mark Darling, Unadilla, N.Y.

## Lake-Lehman issues honor roll

With the second marking period terminating Feb. 4 at Lake-Lehman Senior High School, Principal James L. Nicholas released an honor roll of 83 scholars and 146 honors students.

The following students maintained 4.0 averages: Grade 9, Ann Marie Borofski, John Buzinkai. Grade 10, Rose Mary Zbick. Grade 12, Edward Mark, Elizabeth Marshall, Mark Smith.

Denise Mahoney, Pam Marr, Douglas Nichols, Path Rice, Mary Sue Rish, Celeste Scavone, Wendy Smith, Cathy L. White, David Williams, Larry Williams, Tom Williams and Rose Mary Zbick (4.0).  
Honors: Linda Bednar, Pam Coburn, Sheila Cooper, Janeen Daily, Anthony DeCesaris, James S. Davis, Francis Duffy, Eugene Evans, Sally Galka, David Glogowski, Cindy Gunton, Brenda Harding, Sharon Harshbarger, Christine Harvey, Holly Haverick, Lynn Kasenchak, Susan King, Cheryl Kittle, Ray Leskowsky, Joseph Levi, Mary Manzoni, Anthony Marchakius, Aileen O'Donnell, Joanne Parsons, Judy Paul, Larry Scott, Chris Shaw, Ernest Slocum, Tracy Taylor, Mark Thomas, Cheryl Travis, Luray Wesley, Arlene Will, and Deborah Zurinski.

Cornell, Penny Cragle, Keith Culver, Jeff Davis, Mark DeCesaris, Kevin Douglas, Nancy Dukes, Robert Edwards, Ann Marie Fielding, Renee Harabito, Anna Houssock, Janet Hutchins, Deborah Keiper, Sheila Kittle, Pat Kreidler, Eric Long, Larry Mator, Sherry Martin, Sidney May, Norman McCaffrey, Elaine Miller, Sandra Mrochko, Robert Myers, Mildred Gley, Debra Park, Linda Reese, Janet Scott, William Shalata, Lisa Shute, Theresa Stockage, Lewis Thomas, Ned Walsh, Robert Walsh, Robert Weidner, Anthony Westawski, Jane Yankowski, Leo Youngblood and John Zaleskas.

## Inspection deadline

Feb. 28

Pennsylvania motorists whose cars carry the No. 2 sticker have an additional two weeks in which to have their vehicles inspected.

Transportation Secretary William H. Sherlock announced today the new inspection deadline: midnight, Feb. 28, 1977.

The extension is the second announced in connection with the current No. 2 stickers. At the height of the heavy snow period an extension was granted because of the backlog of inspection appointments brought on by the brutal weather. Similar reasons are given for the latest change of date.



BAND ALBUM--The Lake-Lehman High School Band is now selling their 1976 Concert Album. The two-record collection features many patriotic selections and a narration as a tribute to our country's Bicentennial as well as popular tunes like "Love Will Keep Us Together," "MacArthur Park" and "Philadelphia Freedom." Orders may be placed with any band member or by contacting Mrs. Gilbert Tough of Lehman (675-1855) or Mrs. John Davis of Oak Hill (639-5003). Order yours today! Pictured are band officers: (front) Ann Marie Fielding, Vice-President and Sharon Evans, Publicity Agent. (back) Jane Yankowski, Secretary; Bob Walsh, President and Susan Dokeray, Treasurer.

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## WORD HUNT

"American Indians"

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### Word List

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|--------------|---------------|----------------|
| 1. Apache    | 12. Hidatsa   | 23. Ojibwa     |
| 2. Arapaho   | 13. Hopi      | 24. Rogue      |
| 3. Catawba   | 14. Iroquois  | 25. Sauk       |
| 4. Cayugas   | 15. Kiowa     | 26. Seminole   |
| 5. Cherokee  | 16. Mandan    | 27. Seneca     |
| 6. Comanche  | 17. Muskogean | 28. Siletz     |
| 7. Cowitz    | 18. Navajo    | 29. Sioux      |
| 8. Creek     | 19. Nezperce  | 30. Tano       |
| 9. Crow      | 20. Onondaga  | 31. Ute        |
| 10. Delaware | 21. Onondagas | 32. Winnebagos |
| 11. Erie     | 22. Osage     | 33. Yamhill    |

TO SOLVE THIS PUZZLE: Find 33 American Indian tribes and circle them. They may appear horizontally, vertically, diagonally and backwards. Solution: The remaining letters spell out a hidden word. **SENTRY**

## Fight Procastination Tomorrow

Only he who attempts the ridiculous can achieve the impossible.

## PUZZLITIS

by Milt Hammer

Match the U.S. Presidents with the paper currency denomination on which their portraits appear.

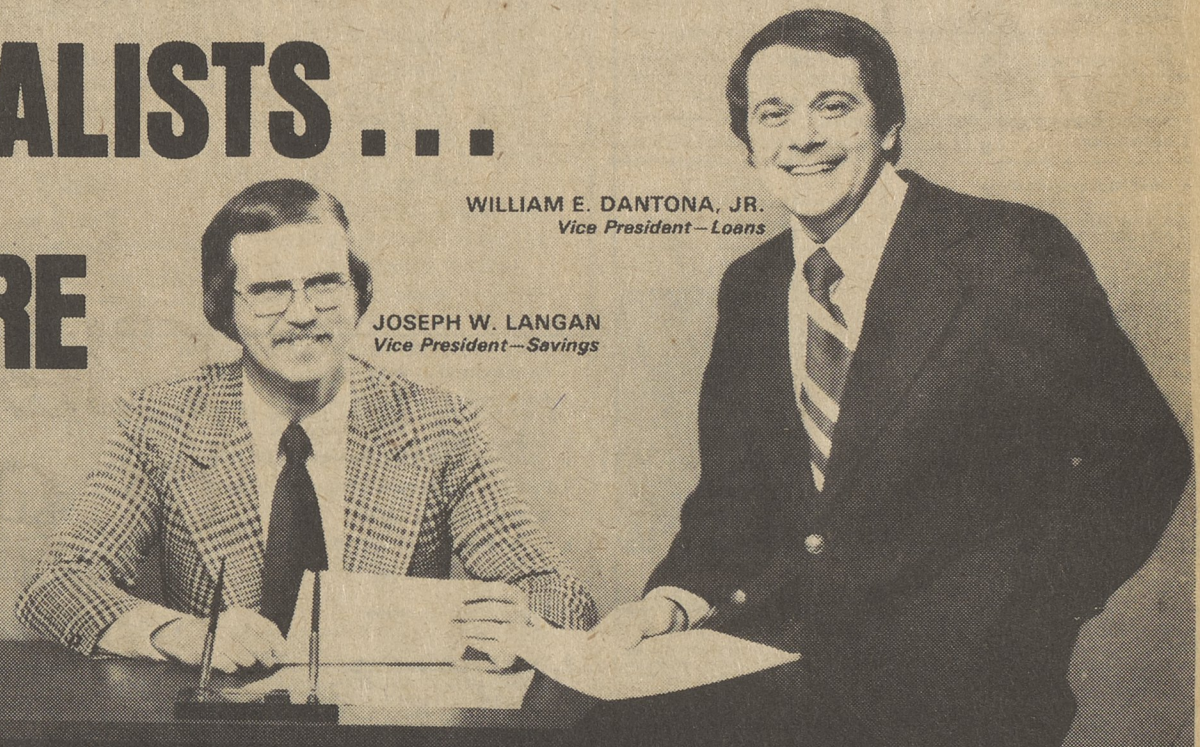
1. Washington
2. Jefferson
3. Lincoln
4. Jackson
5. Grant
6. McKinley
7. Cleveland
8. Madison
9. Wilson

- a. One Thousand
- b. Fifty
- c. Five Thousand
- d. One
- e. Five Hundred
- f. One Hundred Thousand
- g. Twenty
- h. Two
- i. Five

### ANSWERS

1-d, 2-h, 3-f, 4-g, 5-b, 6-e, 7-a, 8-c, 9-i.

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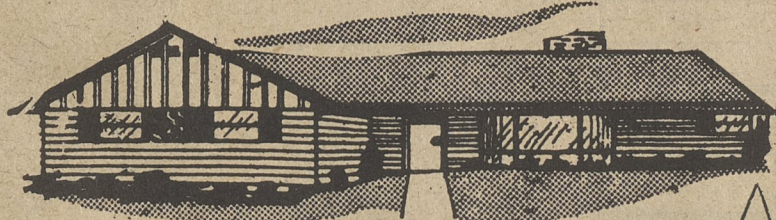
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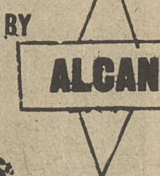
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