

Oak Hill

Corn beef and cabbage

by Bridgette Correale
The other day when the Red Cross was conducting its local blood drive, several nurses were asking if I was going down to donate. I didn't get a chance to finish my story, so in completing I'll let you in on it...

Several years ago I went to give blood and before I realized what was happening, a white sheet was placed over me and a tag was tied to my foot marked, "Destination Morgue." Needless to say, the doctor and the nurses were friends of my brother and a bunch of clowns.

Belated birthday greetings to Suzie Dembroski who celebrated her 12 birthday, March 10. Suzie was honored at a party

which was held on Saturday, March 12.

Sunday afternoon, Gate of Heaven's basketball team played their last game of the season and let me tell you it was a cliff hanger right up until the last second. Our team lost 57-58 to Sacred Heart, Luzerne, and here it is a day after the event and I still feel like jumping and shouting.

The boys played their hearts out and I want to thank them, their managers, Oak Hill's Walter Blejwas and Idetown's Joe Boyle for an enjoyable season. Today Gate of Heaven - tomorrow The Knicks.

Sorry to learn that Skip Bonham, Jr. is a surgical patient in Geisinger Medical Center, Danville.

It would be nice if his friends dropped him a little note. In fact some of those get-well cards are so funny, you have to be careful that the patient who is receiving one, doesn't split a stitch or two.

There will be many birthday candles burning this week. Joe Gerchak, Jr., March 15, Joe Canfield, Steve Morenko, Bernadette Oley, March 23 and my good friend Elly Thompson, March 22. Happy birthday you all.

The Hession family enjoyed the weekend visiting Valley Forge and other places of interest.

Congratulations Bill Falzone, a member of Gate of Heaven Parish. Bill was the recipient of The St. George Award for his dedi-

cated work in scouting in the Scranton Diocese.

Second grader Christian Kelly celebrated his eighth birthday with a party shared by classmates.

Nice to see Lynn Evans, daughter of Verna and Hayden visiting our corner of the world. "Sam, don't make fun of my haircut. At least mine still grows."

Confirmation classes at Gate of Heaven for public school students will begin Monday, March 21, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Gowns will be measured on that day, therefore everyone must be present.

Graduates of Bishop O'Reilly High School are organizing an Alumni Association. A meeting to discuss the possibilities will be held Monday March

21, 8 p.m. in the Bishop O'Reilly cafeteria.

This past week Vin was out of town, so I thought here's my chance to relax and catch up on some breathing. I did everything but relax. My children had me working single, double and triple shifts with no extra money. It's amazing how nice they could be when they're gonna ask, "Mom will you take me and 40,000 others to Pittston?"

Guess what this Italian gal is going to eat this St. Patty's Day? Corned beef and cabbage. When I was in Ireland last summer, believe me, when I said I searched high and low for a restaurant that served corned beef and cabbage. There wasn't any, at least I couldn't find one. Everytime I asked, the people would tell me it's only made at home. I guess they're like Italians with macaroni and beans.

After settling for something else to eat, we would always get into a discussion with others and one of the most interesting things I learned was that we here in America celebrate St. Patrick's Day as though it may never come again and there in the land of green velvet, all they do is go to Mass in the morning, then go home to plant their potato crop.

Well anyway, have a good St. Patty's Day whether your plans include planting potatoes or getting yourself planted.

New public works grant program appears likely

The Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania announced today that in all likelihood additional public works grant monies will be available from the Economic Development Administration under Title I of the Local Public Works and Investment Act in the near future.

\$4 billion of public works monies may be authorized by Congress within the next month, the EDC said. Both the house and senate are working on this important legislation and the Economic Development Council is monitoring the progress of these bills so that prospective applicants in Northeastern Pennsylvania can be ready to meet any requirements or regulations spelled out as a result of the passage of a new Act.

Howard J. Grossman, executive director of the Economic Development Council, stated that "it is important to track changes in the way the public works grants may be viewed as a result of new criteria or adjustments to previous regulations when the first round of public works grants were approved in late 1976. The Council has a file of information on changes which are being considered by Congress and will make this information available to anyone requesting data."

Some of the changes are important elements of the

New Public Works projects legislation being considered by Congress, including the following:

1. Pending bills would require the Economic Development Administration to act on previously unfunded applications already on file before accepting new applications.
2. There may be more than one round of public works funding.
3. The original 70-30 percent funding split undoubtedly will be changed to another ratio, probably with a higher percent of the funds going to areas in excess of the national unemployment rate.
4. Unemployment data would be standardized to include only the unemployment information under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act where it exists for cities and "balance of county" data for all others. It would be calculated based on average unemployment for the previous 12 months

rather than for the previous quarter.

5. The project screening system used by EDA probably would be based on 40 percent on numbers unemployed, 40 percent on unemployment rate, 10 percent on per capita income, and 10 percent to cities and counties. School districts would receive five points.

6. EDA has warned that even if \$4 billion is available, four out of five applications will not be funded.

7. Applications already on file would be activated for the second round by a letter from the jurisdiction's chief elected official. The applications would be reaffirmed, costs updated, and information if necessary and local governments would have to prioritize projects if submitting more than one application.

8. EDA would probably set benchmarks to avoid undue concentration of funds within any one area.

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School board

satisfactory excuse shall forfeit a proportionate amount of salary for the time missed.

Robert A. Johnson, Class of 1977, was commended for attaining national recognition in being named a finalist in the national merit scholarship competition. As a finalist, he will qualify for a scholarship to the college of his choice. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnson, Old Lake Road, Dallas.

Bake-me-at-the-fair contest is scheduled

Applications are now being accepted for the 1977 Bake Me At The Fair Contest sponsored by the Greater Wilkes-Barre Jaycees in conjunction with King Midas Flour Company. The contest is managed by the Jay-Cettes.

Home bakers in Wyoming Valley and vicinity will be given the opportunity to display their talents at the 1977 Wyoming Valley Fair to be held April 28, 29, 30 and May 1 at the 109th Artillery Armory, Kingston.

Cash prizes will be awarded Sunday May 1 in the amount of first place \$100, second \$75 third \$50 and fourth \$25.

Mrs. Roy C. Dahlquist, Jr., contest chairman, announced that the 1977 Bake-Me-At-The-Fair Contest is open to the general public with the exception of professional chefs, home economists, employees of King Midas Flour Company, members of the Wilkes-Barre Jaycees and the respective immediate families.

Recipes submitted must include at least one cup of King Midas Flour. Entries must be typed or printed on an 8 1/2 by 11 inch paper including the contestant's name, address and phone number in the upper left hand corner. All instructions should be specific.

Recipes must be post-marked by Friday, March 25, and received no later than Monday, March 28. All entries will be judged

for eligibility. These semi-finalists will be notified by mail to bring their finished product to the Hotel Sterling on March 31. At this time, entries will be judged on the basis of appearance, taste, uniqueness and texture.

Those selected as finalists will be given a set period of time in which to prepare and bake her/his entry at the Fair on Sunday, May 1. The judges will rate the finished product only. Judges do not witness the preparation stages.

Contest rules and additional information can be obtained by writing to Bake Me At The Fair Contest, 66 Third Ave., Kingston, Pa. 18704 or by contacting any committee member. Committee members include Mrs. Roy C. Dahlquist, Jr.; Mrs. Robert Coburn; Mrs. G. Scott Dietterick III; Mrs. William Fieseler; Mrs. Robert Lawrence; and Mrs. Thomas Roche.

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RULES:

1. Each recipe submitted must use at least one cup of King Midas Flour. Enter as often as you wish.
2. All entries must be typed or neatly printed on an 8 1/2 by 11 inch piece of plain paper. Place your name, address, zip code and phone number in the upper left hand corner.
3. Entries will be judged on the following: APPEARANCE, TASTE, UNIQUENESS AND TEXTURE.
4. No previous prize-winning recipes will be accepted.
5. Recipes must be titled. Each ingredient must be typed or printed clearly and level measurements specified.
6. In case of duplication, the recipe postmarked the earliest will be judged.
7. Semi-finalists will be notified by mail. Each semi-finalist will bring his/her finished entry to the Semi Final Judging on March 31 to the Hotel Sterling, Wilkes-Barre.
8. Finalists must prepare and bake their entry at the Final Judging on May 1, 1977 at the Third Annual Wyoming Valley Fair in Kingston, Pa.
9. Entries will be judged by a panel of professional chefs and home economists. Prizes will be awarded within the sole discretion of the judges and the Wilkes-Barre Jaycees.
10. Contest is open to the general public, excluding professional chefs, home economists, employees of King Midas Flour Co., members of the Wilkes-Barre Jaycees and their respective immediate families.
11. Entries must be postmarked by Friday, March 25, 1977. All entries must be received by Monday, March 28, 1977.
12. Mail entries to:

"BAKE ME AT THE FAIR" Contest
66 Third Avenue Kingston, Pa. 18704
For Information 288-9188 or 288-5097
This contest is sponsored by the Greater Wilkes-Barre Jaycees and King Midas Flour Company

Monitor welfare system law

Stating that welfare fraud is costing Pennsylvanians more than \$80 million a year, Rep. Frank J. O'Connell, Jr., R-Luzerne, said last week he will introduce legislation to monitor the welfare system to locate and eliminate welfare fraud.

"It is time that we stop talking about welfare fraud and start to take action," O'Connell said.

"The abuses in the welfare system are costing out State millions each year and taking away benefits from the truly needy. We must therefore take the proper action to tighten up qualifications for assistance.

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