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**U.S. Army comes to the Back Mt.--to recruit**

by Charlot Denmon  
The U.S. Army has come to the Back Mountain. Not to defend but to recruit. Sgt. Kenneth Confer, recruitman representative with the U.S. Army Recruiting Station in Wilkes-Barre, is assigned to an office in the Dallas Borough Municipal Building. He is residing with his wife, Shirlene, at the Country Club Estates in Dallas. Both are natives of the Pittsburgh area.

Following his training at Fort Benning, then Fort Gordon, Confer went to Vietnam for 18 months returning to the states in October 1969. Shortly after he was discharged from the service but after being out of service for 63 days he decided he would reenlist in the Army to go to Hawaii, which he did in December of 1969. On his first leave, while in Hawaii, he returned to this country and married Shirlene. They both returned to Hawaii. Following his tour of duty in Hawaii, Confer and his wife returned to the States where he had a month's leave before he was assigned for a second tour in Vietnam, this time for a year.

After completing the year in Vietnam, Confer was assigned to Fort Stewart, Ga., for a year then to Fort Campbell, Ky., for another year. In November, 1973, he went to Germany, accompanied by his wife, their German Shepherd and Siamese cat. The Confers spent three years in Germany before returning to this country in December, 1976. Following a 15-day leave over the Christmas holidays which he and Shirlene spent visiting their families in the Pittsburgh area, Confer was assigned to the Harrisburg Recruiting Command which covers the eastern part of Pennsylvania including Wilkes-Barre area. He was in Harrisburg only one day when he received orders to report to this area.

Confer has traveled extensively in the Orient, Europe, Vietnam and across the United States but he says he has seen no area as "fantastic" as the Wyoming Valley and Back Mountain area. He and Shirlene moved to their new home in May from Kingston. As the Army representative in the Dallas area, he has an office in the Dallas Borough Building which is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Saturday by appointment. Men or women interested in becoming a member of the U.S. Army may obtain information and complete the necessary paper work prior to their enlistment. Confer also accepts speaking engagements and will speak before any of the area's service clubs, veterans' agencies, church groups or schools. He does not limit his speaking to senior high schools but has interesting films and other equipment to present to the younger students. Confer is now taking courses in business administration through LaRoche College, Pittsburgh. At present, he has

30 credit hours and is working on six additional credits. Eventually he plans to receive his degree in business administration which will help him further his opportunity for advancement in the personnel field. He is an avid bowler and carries a 175 average. He would like to become a member of one of the men's leagues at the Crown Imperial Bowling Lanes. His wife also bowls and has a 155 average. She also is interested in joining a league at the local lanes. The Confers are camping enthusiasts and do a lot of tent camping on weekends and also when Confer is on leave. Confer likes fresh water fishing preferably for bass although he occasionally goes trout fishing. He is not too familiar with the local streams and to date has only fished Sylvan and Moon Lakes and Bowman's Creek, along Route 309 toward Tunkhannock. He has also tried Frances Slocum State Park. He and Shirlene do some horseback riding and attend many sports events since both are sports oriented. Confer has done extensive traveling from Los Agneles across Route 66 through all of the Eastern States and through all of Germany, Okinawa and Japan. He also has been to Alaska. He frequently visits bases in New Jersey and Maryland and the headquarters at Harrisburg. His major responsibility is to inform the public about the U.S. Army--what it has to offer in jobs, training, college or technical schools. There are openings from cook to motor and aviation mechanics to pilots and in all of the construction fields. Confers says that there is no one who can match the offer he can make to the young man or woman of today. There is a starting salary of \$374.40 with room and board and, on Oct. 1, there will be a salary increase.



Sgt. Kenneth Confer

**Audubon chapter meets Sept. 11**

The first general membership meeting of the local chapter of the National Audubon Society will be held at College Misericordia Sept. 12 at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the first meeting of the newly-formed chapter will be to adopt a chapter constitution, elect officers, and select a chapter name. A suggested constitution has been prepared by the chapter steering committee and has been sent to the local members to review prior to the meeting. A nominating committee will be selected to prepare a slate of officers.

Originally, it was suggested that the chapter be called the Northeastern Pennsylvania Chapter, but the National Audubon Society suggested that the name reflect flora or fauna indigenous to the area.

As soon as the local chapter is organized officially, plans can be made for chapter activities, including local field trips. A trip to Hawk Mountain, near Hazleton, is already under consideration.

Area residents interested in Audubon activities and members of the National Audubon Society who are interested in joining the local chapter are encouraged to attend the Misericordia meeting. The meeting will be held in Kennedy Lounge.

36 Saginaw Ave., Dallas, announce the birth of a daughter, Aug. 31 at Wyoming Valley Hospital.

A birthday party was held at the home of Herbert Mo yer, Sept. 4, in honor of David Lloyd. The family and friends attending were Connie Moyer, fiancée of the guest of honor; Herb Moyer, Margie Moyer, Herb Moyer, Jr., Sonja Boice, Butch Boice, Jeffrey Boice, Paul Boice, Tara Boice, Edith Boice; Don Boice, Mary Boice, Patsy Long, Teri Long, Dean Long, Anne Long, Patricia Long, Tracy Long, Pearl Ide, Fred Hughes, Lois Hughes, Cindy Hughes, Carl Rollman, Helen Hoover, Cheryl Hoover, Flooyd Hoover, Joann Hoover, Curtis Hoover, Virginia Hoover, Kevin Walker, Donna Walker, and Buddy Walker.

**Over the Back Fence**

Mrs. Florence Williams, Harveys Lake, is a patient in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Joseph Kasmak, East Dallas, former business manager of the Dallas School District before accepting a position with the auditor general's staff of Pennsylvania, has resigned to assume the position of business manager with West Side Vocational Technical High School.

Mrs. Bertha Evans, 222 Holly St., Trucksville, is a surgical patient in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henninger, Ryman Road, RD 3, Dallas, announce the birth of a son, Sept. 1, in Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Abram Nesbitt, II, Lake Catalpa, Dallas, will entertain the Kingston Branch of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Sept. 9, at tea. Mrs. Forrest Bromfield, president of the branch will preside at the business meeting where plans will be discussed for the Holiday Fair, Oct. 18 and 19, in the Medical Arts Building.

Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Auxiliary of Shavertown will meet Sept. 9 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown. A social hour will be held at noon followed by a business meeting at 1 p.m.

Leonard "Pooch" Kozik, Orchard View Terrace, has returned home from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital where he was admitted for an infection in his arm.

District Magistrate Leonard Harvey and his wife Marian, Woodlawn Avenue, Dallas, have returned home after a fishing trip to Canada where they stayed at their fishing cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Kaschenbach III, 140 Third Ave., Kingston, announce the birth of a daughter, Laura Elizabeth, Aug. 28, in Nesbitt Medical Arts Center. Mrs. Kaschenbach is the former Adele Jancik of West Lawn, Pa. Kaschenbach is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Kaschenbach, Jr., Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Davis and Miss Deborah Davis, Tunkhannock, and Mrs. Margaret D. Shepard, Leigh Street, Shavertown, returned home from England and Wales where they visited relatives and toured the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ashbridge, Jr., and

daughter, Robin, have returned home from their two-week vacation at the Jersey Shore.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hunter, Dallas, were honored at a party at the Maple Grove Methodist Church in observance of their 25th wedding anniversary, by their children, Beth Schuckers, RD 1, Shickshinny; Bert Hunter, Kingston; Troy Hunter, Dallas; and Ken's sister, Kathleen Cornell, RD 1, Hunlock Creek.

Boy Scout Troop 233, Shavertown, will visit Gettsburg, Sept. 10 and 11. Boys 11 years or over who would like to go on the trip may contact John Baloga, Ronald Maturi, Paul Priebe.

Col. William Dierolf, Applewood Manor, Dallas, has returned home from Robert Packer Memorial Hospital where he was a medical patient. He presided over the special meeting of the Dallas School District last Friday night at the high school.

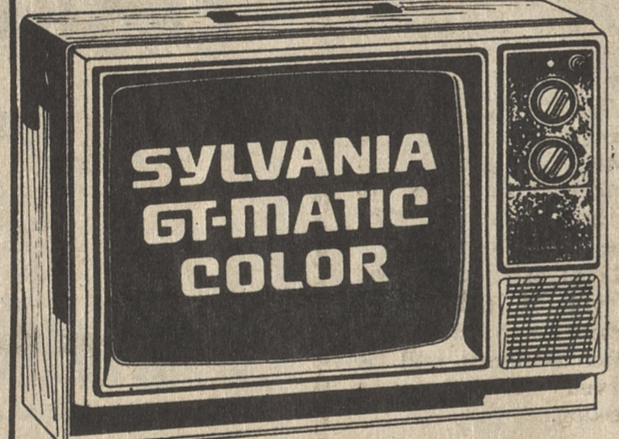
Mr. and Mrs. James Wendler, 12 Wyoming Ave., Dallas, announce the birth of a son, Aug. 29, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Harrington, 174 Sterling Ave., Dallas, announce the birth of a daughter, Aug. 30, in Wyoming Valley Hospital. It is their second child.

Pete Shiner is recovering from open heart surgery at his home on Sterling Avenue, Dallas.

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**Art exhibit**

Ferdinand Roten Art Galleries of Baltimore, Md., will conduct a public art exhibit at College Misericordia on Sept. 8 from 10 to 5.

The exhibit will feature nearly 1,000 original prints by old masters and contemporary artists and will also include both Western and Oriental manuscript pages, some dating to the 13th century. All prints will be available for sale, with prices ranging from \$10 to over \$1,000. Most, however, are priced under \$100.

The exhibit will be held in Kennedy Lounge at Misericordia under the sponsorship of the Art Department. There will be no admission charge.

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