

BUSINESS

Viola resigns job as MH/MR director

The Luzerne-Wyoming County Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center announced Monday that John J. Viola, the MH-MR Center's director for the last 6½ years, resigned effective Aug. 18.

The Center provides a variety of services for emotionally troubled individuals in northern Luzerne County and throughout Wyoming County. Viola will assume a similar position with the Greater Scranton MH-MR Center.

Viola informed the center's board of directors of his intentions with a letter dated June 22 in which he stated that "my decision is based solely on

a desire for change, a change which must be made now or deferred for several years."

Viola's tenure has seen the center expand its facilities and programs. There are new units in Tunkhannock, Forty Fort and Pittston as well as in Wilkes-Barre. Inpatient and outpatient facilities, children's services, and consultation and evaluation functions were established. Funding for these programs was developed through the National Institute of Mental Health, the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare and the United Way of Wyoming Valley.

The board will hold a special session in the near future to name a successor.

Gawlas suggests mail holding for vacationers

Making arrangements for holding or forwarding mail prior to leaving home for vacations can save customers a lot of misery and inconveniences, Dallas Postmaster Bernard Gawlas reminded local residents today.

"An over-flowing mailbox can be an open invitation to burglars," Postmaster Gawlas said. "Letting mail or

newspapers pile up is advertising the fact that the house or apartment will be empty and unguarded."

Householders should ask a friend or neighbor to check their mailbox daily and to hold their mail until vacation's over.

Or, if they prefer, they can ask the post office to hold their mail for up to 30 days, or to forward it to the vacation address.

Inflation Investing

"He is us"

by Ken Adams, Thomson & McKinnon

"I have met the enemy and he is us!" Those immortal (if slightly ungrammatical) words, first uttered by the loquacious Pogo, just might describe the cause of one of investors' (and consumers') greatest dilemmas—inflation!

"Human wants are never satisfied," is a well known economic maxim we're inclined to agree with. Many consumers, if they have one of anything, want two. Or they want a larger one. Or a different colored one. Or ...etc.

The point is, they want more of almost everything. Whether they need it or not. It perhaps comes under the heading of "improving one's standard of living."

When demand rises on a broad front for lots of different products and services, businesses of all kinds rush to meet that demand. It often means that they have to borrow, too (from tomorrow's income), to build capacity to meet consumer demand of today.

As consumers (taxpayers, citizens, voters), we also want more and more service from our governments—federal, state and local. Sometimes (often?) we want so much that the governments can't pay for it out of current receipts (taxes).

When that occurs, guess what happens! The governments (federal, state and local) borrow (from tomorrow to pay for today).

And sometimes if they (the people who run our governments) don't give us what we want when we want it, or as much as we want, we get upset. We get so upset we often vote them out of office. (And vote in some one more "accommodating").

All of this wanting and getting is expensive. The goods and services that we insist on having right now (this very minute!) can cause prices to rise (inflation again), often dramatically.

To be sure, inflation has other causes, too. On the production side, for example.

Most of us as producers work very hard for our wages. We work hard because we want to earn as much money as we can. All very normal. Unfortunately, we sometimes want to get paid more money even though we're not more productive. That happens for a variety of reasons and its not so normal. Sometimes it's even a little selfish.

It ends up that the product we make costs more to the consumer even though it hasn't changed or improved and there aren't any more of them. That's inflation, too. Caused by us.

So Pogo is right, isn't he? The enemy (inflation) is us! Us as consumers (especially when we're greedy), us as producers (sometimes not as productive as we might be), us as businesses, us as responsive governments.

One way or another we cause it. We certainly don't mean to. We have the very best of intentions. But one way or another we cause or contribute to it.

And causing it is a lot easier than curing it. (that's a subject we'll cover later on).

So Mr. Consumer, shake hands with a side of you (producer) you may not have met before. And join us in thanking Pogo for calling it to our attention.

Irem plans swim classes

Irem Temple Country Club pool opened June 11 managed by Peter Brussock and Bob Lewis. They are assisted by four lifeguards, Marti Spears, Kathy Blaum, Libby Marshall, and Suzanne Williams.

The pool is open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. for members and their guests.

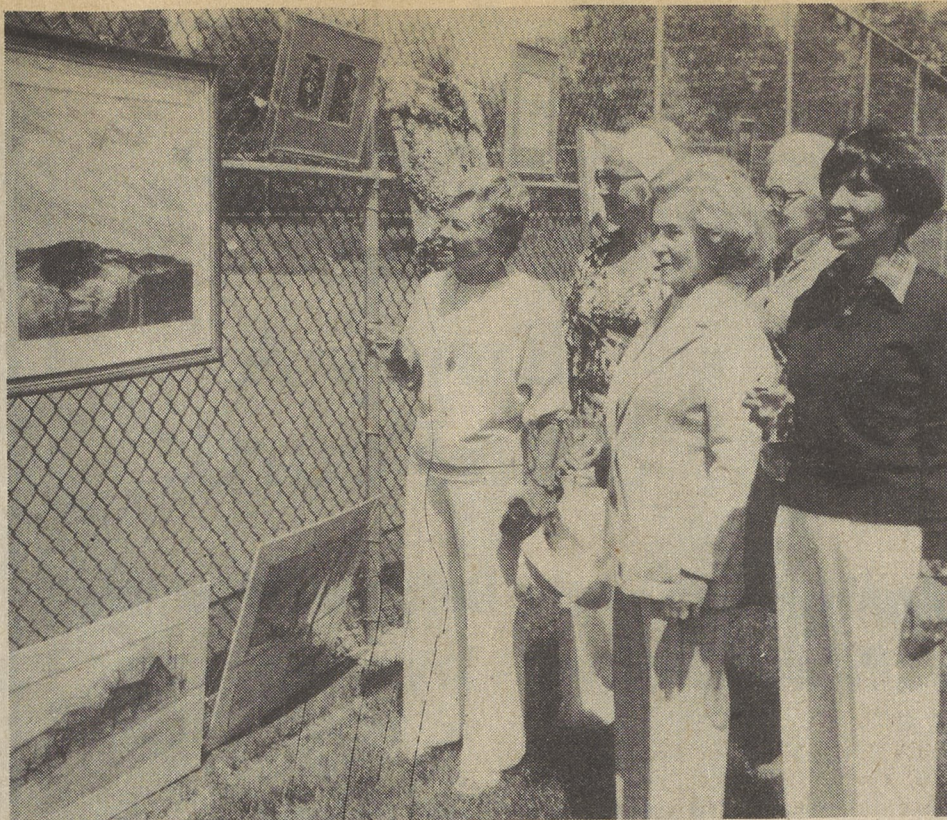
Swimming instructions will be offered for all levels from beginners to adults. Group classes will be

between 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, and adult classes will be offered from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The fee is \$10 per week.

The lessons are open to everyone, members or non-members.

A life-saving course will be offered from July 10 to July 20. Those completing the course will be certified by the American Red Cross.

People are encouraged to register by calling 675-0311.



EXHIBIT—Adding color and excitement to the recent open house at Country Club Apartments in Dallas was an exhibit of paintings, pottery and sculpture, sponsored by Robert A. Bergstrasser of the Half Moon Shop in Kingston. Admiring the exhibit are (left to right): Faith P. Snyder, Puj Albert, Marian Trethway, Agnes Karaska, and Milly Cunningham. The background fence encloses the excellently maintained tennis courts which are available for the use of residents and guests. During the open house visitors enjoyed tours of model apartments. The complex offers 2-bedroom and 3-bedroom garden apartments and 2-bedroom townhouses.



OPEN HOUSE—Members of the staff of Country Club Apartments are shown as they gathered to welcome visitors during a recent open house at the apartment complex on Route 309 in Dallas, just north of the Dallas Outdoor Theater. The open house featured a tour of the complex and a number of model apartments. In the photograph are left to right, Agnes Karaska, resident manager; Theodore Karaska, resident maintenance supervisor; Puj Albert, assistant manager; Mary Jane Carsia, assistant manager, and Janet Roer, manager. (Ace Hoffman Photo)

Wilkes

schedules

classes

Registration for the summer second session at Wilkes College is scheduled for Thursday, July 13 and Friday, July 14 at Parrish Hall, 34 S. River St., from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., with early registration being accepted anytime after July 1.

The second half of a number of courses, as well as various topics courses are included in the upcoming schedule. Both graduate and undergraduate courses are available in a variety of fields, with classes scheduled to begin July 17 and continue through August 18.

Undergraduate courses will include accounting, biology, business administration, chemistry, economics, education, engineering, English, environmental and earth sciences, foreign languages, history, mathematics, music, nursing, philosophy, physics, political science, psychology and sociology.

Graduate courses will be offered in education, English, environmental and earth sciences, history and mathematics.

Summer courses give interested students the opportunity to work toward a degree, fulfill education requirements, prepare for future college courses or simply earn extra credits. Others may take courses for personal enrichment.

Further information may be obtained by writing or calling John F. Meyers, director, continuing education and graduate studies, at Parrish Hall.

Wande receives masters

Ezekial Wande, Country Club Apartments, Dallas, graduated from the University of Rhode Island this spring. He earned his master of business administration degree.

Local girls attend

St. Lawrence

Kimberly Turner of Dallas and Jennifer L. Maslow, Shavertown, will enter the freshman class at St. Lawrence University in September.



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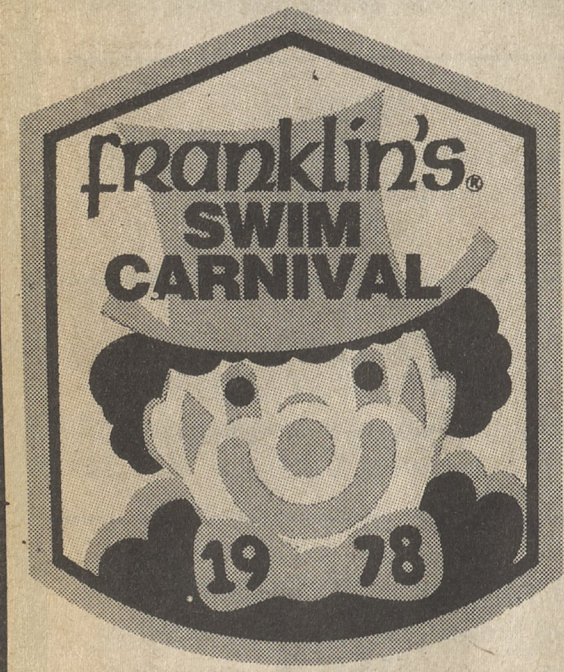
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O'Connell tells rules

Frank J. O'Connell R-Luzerne, today announced that the personal "vanity" license plates are now available for pick-up trucks and vans as well as passenger cars.

Until recently, these personal tags were only available for the passenger cars registered within the Commonwealth.

O'Connell explained that the tag, costing \$20, may be obtained from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles by

completing the proper form.

"Up to six letters or numbers, or any combination thereof, may be used on the personal tags, except anything which might be considered vulgar or in bad taste," O'Connell said.

O'Connell added that he now has the necessary forms with which to apply for the personal tags for vans and pick-up trucks, and anyone interested may write to Rep. O'Connell, House of Representatives, Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, Pa. 17120.

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