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**Trucksville resident writes book on problem solving**

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Everyone has a problem to solve at one time or another and Thomas Dombroski, a resident of Trucksville, has written "Creative Problem Solving, Door to Progress and Change" to help make this task easier.

Dombroski, who is president of D&L Consultants, a financial and management consulting firm, uses the techniques described in his book in his work. He also used this outline when employed as a senior process engineer for General Telephone and Electric, Sylvania Electric Division, Towanda for ten years prior to establishing his own company in 1965.

Although this problem solving technique is applied to his work, according to Dombroski, "the book is oriented towards the

average layman to solve everyday problems."

A graduate of Luzerne High School, and King's College, Dombroski has taught classes in problem solving to businessmen, social workers, and community development personnel at various public agencies. He has also taught his course over radio station WRKC-FM Wilkes-Barre.

A Sergeant first class during the Korean conflict, Dombroski served in Korea with the Fifth Regiment and Combat Team and was awarded the United Nations Medal, Korean Service Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Bronze Star.

Tom, his wife Nancy Jane, and three of their children live on Terrace Avenue, in Trucksville. Their oldest daughter, Joyce, is married to Robert Gebhardt, a former Back Mountain resident now stationed at Ft. Meyer, Va. Sons Thomas, a 1978 graduate of Dallas High School and a freshman in the computer science course at King's College; Ronald, a junior at Dallas High School; and daughter, Susan, an eighth grader at Dallas, all reside at home.

A close-knit family, the

Dombroskis enjoy following Back Mountain sports, especially football. Dombroski served as a manager for the Westmoreland Little League for four years. Hunting and fishing are favorite hobbies for father and sons.

The family belongs to St. Terese's Church in Shavertown where Tom is president of the Holy Name Society.

Dombroski is involved in various community organizations. He is a member of Dallas Kiwanis; the Dallas American Legion; the Veterans of Foreign Wars; the Knights of Columbus; Wilkes-Barre Post; Tatra; and Disabled American Veterans.

His book, published by Exposition Press, sets forth the idea that "creativity is the key use of imagination to open the mind to new ideas. After stressing the importance of attitude in problem solving, Dombroski breaks down the problem solving process into five phases; information gathering, ideation or the idea-flow stage and overall creative affluence, evaluation, decision making, and implementation.

Each stage is illustrated

with puzzles, examples, diagrams, and other techniques of reinforcement."

According to Dombroski, "A good definition of success is realization of a goal; yet for too many people, problem roadblocks or failure to find the right path stands in the way of success." In his book, Dombroski attempts to show how to remove the roadblocks by attacking problems creatively and clearing away outmoded

strictures that straight-jacket our thinking process and inhibit new approaches.

"Creative Problem Solving, Door to Progress and Change" will be sent to 75 review agencies and distributed throughout 2,200 book stores and libraries throughout the country. Locally the book can be purchased at Walden's Book Store, the Book and Card Mart, and the Boston Store. All area libraries will also receive a copy.



Thomas Dombroski

**King's sets 1979 goal**

The \$250,000 goal of the "1979 Campaign for King's" will be used by King's College for student financial aid and to develop academic programs.

Preparations are under way for the start of the campaign on Wednesday, Jan. 31 with a noon luncheon meeting in the Sheehy Student Center dining hall.

Elmer Klimchak, president of Franklin First Federal Savings and Loan Association, is drive chairman. He will work in close liaison with the Rev. James Lackenmier, CSC, director of development at King's, in the conduct of the campaign.

Rev. Charles David Sherrer, CSC, president of the college, points out that

in the community phase of the drive King's will seek \$135,000. An alumni phonathon, headed by graduate Leonard Zavada, has a goal of \$115,000.

Vice chairmen of the general phase under Klimchak are John Churnetski, Luzerne County engineer; Mrs. Anna Cortiglia of North Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre; Atty. Daniel Flannery, King's 1963 graduate; Robert Patton, King's grad and vice president of the Wyoming National Bank; William Runner of Bache, Halsey & Stuart; Robert Wentz, president of the Hilsher Paper Box Company; and Robert Leonard, former drive chairman, and local union official.

**Buzinkai offers course**

Shavertown resident Dr. Donald Buzinkai, professor of government and politics and department chairman at King's College, will teach a Continuing Education course in the new semester Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The semester opens on Jan. 15 and in person registration will be on Jan. 11, day and evening, in the Administration Building, North River Street, Wilkes-Barre. Persons may register by mail through Jan. 5.

Dr. Buzinkai's course will be Problems in Political Theory: Psychology and Politics. It will deal with the application of psychological insights into such phenomena as leadership,

decision-making, etc.

Class will explore the theories of Sigmund Freud, and psychoanalysis will be examined in terms of validity and relevance to the concerns of political science in general and to the more specific problems of political behavior and personality.

Dr. Buzinkai was graduated from St. Francis College, Brooklyn, and received the MA and doctorate from New York University. He was on sabbatical leave from his King's teaching duties last semester.

Information about the government course and all others is available by contacting the Continuing Education Office at King's College.



Donald Buzinkai

**Piano students holiday**

The piano students of Mrs. Gwen Moran together with their families enjoyed a Christmas party of music and refreshments at the home of Mrs. Moran. The students played Christmas songs and repertoire pieces with everyone joining in singing the Carols.

Those playing solos

Mi Chang, Glen Eyet, Beth Hall, Jodi Kern, Andrew Krivak, Mary Mickiewicz, Kristen Roese, Ann Ryan, Molly Sheridan, Kim Stachnik, Aimee Troxell and Laura Wright.

Ann Ryan played a duet with her mother and Andrew Krivak played a duet with Mrs. Moran.

**Sorber in "Cape Thunder"**

Airman First Class Richard E. Sorber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Sorber of R.D. 1, Dallas, recently participated in "Cape Thunder" a mock training exercise conducted in the Philippines.

Airman Sorber is an aerospace ground equipment mechanic at Kunsan AB, Republic of

Korea, with the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing.

The exercise provided realistic training of tactical, strategic and joint service employment of air power in realistic combat scenarios.

The airman is a 1975 graduate of Lake-Lehman High School, Lehman.

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**Robespierre**

typing it himself on six-ply paper and badgering likely prospects for contributions—games, jokes, short stories, poetry, satire, anything they could write.

They closed the base shortly after he left. It wasn't because he left, but it might as well have been. If America hadn't sold the place to the Japanese, Robespierre might have tried to.

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