

People in the News



SAFE DRIVING AWARDS-Dallas Postmaster Bernard C. Gawlas awarded Safe Driving Awards to 10 employees who proved their skill in avoiding accidents during the past year. The National Safety Council Safe Driver Award is the recognized trademark of professional drivers. Above presenting the awards, front row, Gawlas to Daniel Jones, five years; back row, left to right, Stanley Lavenduski, 13 years; Edward Endrusick, two years; and Andrew Sokol, eight years. Not seen in the photo are Edward McDade, seven years; Joseph Zuba, one year; John Juris, 27 years; Albert Bellas, 22 years; Edmund Labatch, six years; and Paul Fedor, five years. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)

Lehman teacher biking

Ed Ladamus, a reading specialist for the Lake-Lehman School District, will be pedaling from the shores of Lake Erie to the banks of the Delaware River in Philadelphia as a participant in the 4th Annual Pennsylvania State College and University (PSCU) Trans-Pennsylvania Bike Tour.

The tour gets underway at Erie on June 19 and the bikers will visit six PSCU campuses before arriving in Philadelphia on July 3. With one or two unavoidable exceptions, they will cross the state on lightly travelled secondary roads.

Ladamus will be among more than a dozen riders undertaking the 570 mile trans-state ride and participated in a portion of the 1977 tour. In addition to teaching and bike riding, Ladamus has helped with the coaching chores for the Lehman wrestling team, but now is more familiar to local sports fans for his officiating at wrestling meets.

The trans-state bike ride is sponsored by the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties (APSCUF), the union that represents the faculty at the PSCU campuses. Most of the riders are sponsored at several cents per mile for each mile pedaled with the money raised being set aside to be awarded as cash scholarships to the winners of an APSCUF sponsored Energy Conservation Essay Contest.



OFFICERS RE-ELECTED-Officers of the Wilkes-Barre YMCA were re-elected to office at the organization's annual meeting. Left to right are Atty. John Morris, III, 1st vice president; Ron Moran, president; Lee Eckert, 2nd vice president; and Clarence Beerweiler, treasurer.

YMCA re-elects officers

Officers were re-elected and new directors introduced at the 115th annual meeting of the Greater Wilkes-Barre Family YMCA Board of Trustees.

Steve Morenko welcomed the guests and introduced Board President Ron Moran who delivered the 1978 annual report and introduced the new YMCA executive director, Bernard

Hargadon.

The 1978 officers re-elected for another term were: President Ron Moran, First Vice President John E. Morris III, Second Vice President Lee Eckert, Treasurer Clarence Beerweiler, Assistant Treasurer W. Robert Toomb Jr., and Secretary Harry L. Hickman.

New board members inducted at the meeting

were: Mrs. Rose Morgan, Mrs. Betty Weiss, Ray Carlsen, and George Brandt. Returning board members inducted at the meeting were Robert Anthony, Robert S. Jabers, Charles D. Lemmond, Jr., Ronald Maturi, Rober R. Mebane, Frank E. Paczewski, Frank E. Parkhurst, III, Donald Sabatino, Henry Schultz. Entertainment for the

evening was arranged by Mrs. Nancy Eckert and Mrs. Sandy Feyrer. Featured was YMCA Dance Instructor Holly Ostland, singing by Andrea Petrosky and Allen Stratton, and disco dancing by John Zimmicky and Dina Sauer. Attending from the YMCA staff were: John Zimmicky, Robyn Jones, Damon Young, Louise Dickinson.

County MH-MR Center relocated

The Luzerne-Wyoming County Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center has relocated its West Side regional office to the United Services Agency Building, West Market Street and Maple Avenue in Kingston.

The West Side Regional Center was formerly

located at 1003 Wyoming Avenue in Forty Fort. The Regional Center provides family, group, and individual counseling throughout Kingston, Forty Fort, Larksville, and the Back Mountain.

This relocation follows the concept of integrated intake provided by the

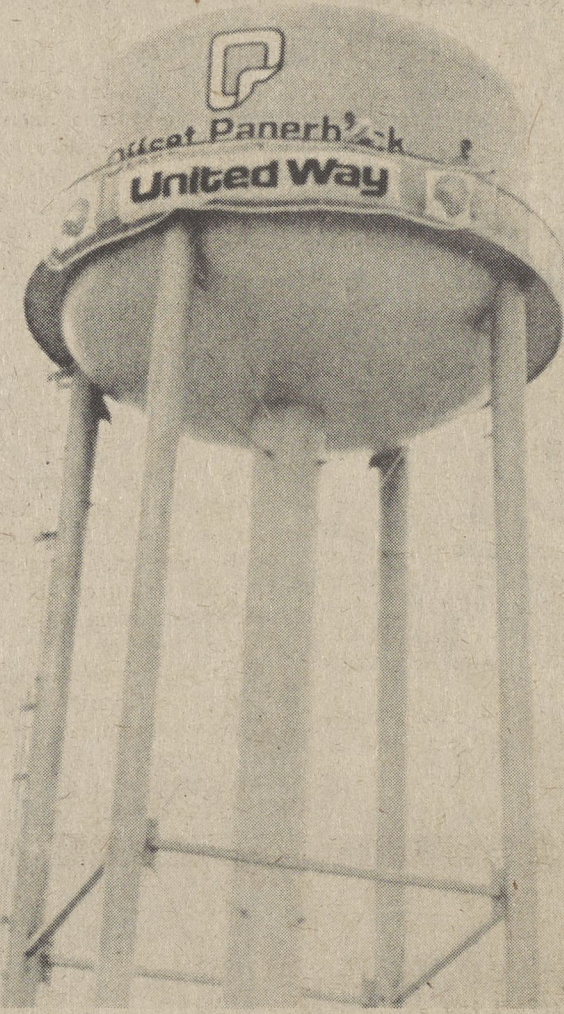
United Services Agency and the MH-MR Center.

The Center's regional offices in Pittston and Tunkhannock are also co-located with USA facilities.

This allows clients to utilize a full range of social services, including emergency housing, child welfare, aging and mental health or mental retardation related needs.

Robert J. Vincenti is the West Side social service manager, which entails coordination of all services while acting as the MH-MR Regional Center and United Services Agency Director. The West Side MH-MR Center can be reached at 288-4517 during business hours or at 823-2155 in the evenings and on weekends.

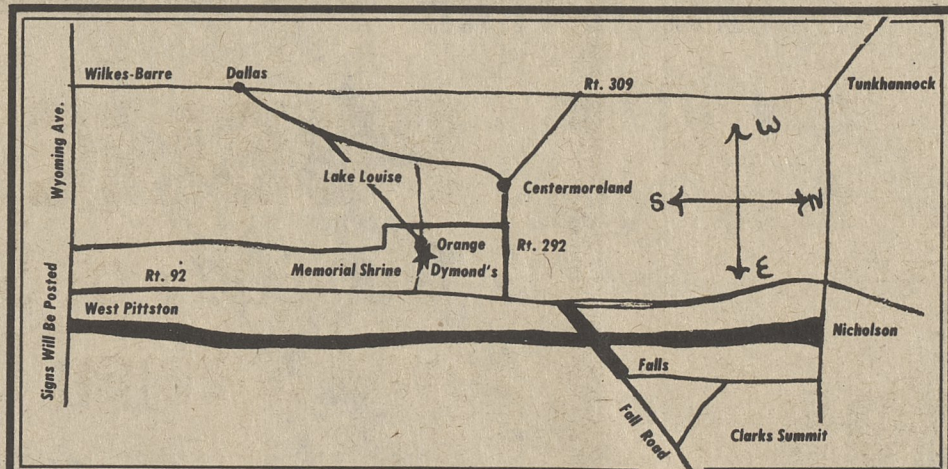
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HOW HIGH THE GOAL-If volunteers of the Wyoming Valley United Way are successful in raising funds to reach as high as the banner on Offset's water tower, the campaign will go over the goal. (Photo by Paul Strasser)



OFFSET EMPLOYEES-Last year Offset employees were cited by United Way for their contributions to the campaign. The employees have pledged their support again this year with Ian Richardson, executive vice president, a member of the campaign cabinet. First row, left to right, Annette Kostnik, Hope Beisel, Vivian Ondish, Robert Chaney; second row, Mark Umphred, Don Weidner, Richardson, Tom Marvel, president. (Photo by Paul Strasser)



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