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Rinehimers win Post display award

Judges in the Back Mountain Holiday Decorations Contest this week announced the winners in the annual event. The contest is sponsored by The Dallas Post in cooperation with nine other sponsors, Commonwealth Telephone, College Misericordia, Dallas Auto Parts, Spurlin's Exxon Servicecenter, First Eastern Bank, Franklin's Family Restaurants, Hanover Bank of Pennsylvania, Offset Paperback Mfrs., Inc. and the Parker Fuel Company.

The judges toured the Back Mountain area during the past week, including Kingston Township, Midway Manor, Dallas Borough, Dallas Township, Harveys Lake, Lehman, Franklin and Jackson Township.

"It was difficult to come to a decision on which was the best display in the lighted category. We went over the top four selections several times before reaching a final decision," said Jane Opalicki, production manager of The Dallas

Post.
"There was only one entry in the

unlighted division which the judges deemed worthy of winning, so it was not too difficult selecting the winning entry.

"The best lighted display in the opinion of the judges was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Rinehimer, 24 West Center St., Shavertown.

"The \$50 bond for the best unlighted display goes to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Chappell, Huntsville Road, Dallas.'

In addition to the winners in the contest, certificates of honorable mention will be awarded to Mrs. K. Hudak, Arthur Kerpovich, Ernest Ashbridge and John Mesaros.

Certificates in the church, school and commercial category will be awarded to St. Therese's Church, Prince of Peace Church, Kingston Township Municipal Building and Hill the Florist.

Judges in this year's contest were three employees of The Dallas Post, Jane Opalicki, production manager; Debbie Zurinski, page layout; and Charlot Denmon,

First BM area baby will win many prizes

The Dallas Post in cooperation with numerous Back Mountain merchants will make 1981 a "Happy New Year" for the "first" Back Mountain baby born after midnight in an area hospital.

Free gifts to the "First Baby" will be given by Dallas Cablevision, one month's free cable service; Paul Strasser, free 8x10 color portrait of the newborn and parents; Dallas Agway, \$15 gift certificate; Daring's Market, \$5 gift certificate; Highway Liquidation, \$10 gift certificate; The Wicker Distributing Co., \$10 gift certificate; Rosemary's Sportswear, \$5 gift certificate.

Mum Farm Florist, one dozen red roses; Humphrey's Apparel & Bootery, infants quilt and pillow set; Carol Eason's Beauty Salon,

free hair styling; Gino's Shoe Store, first pair of newborn baby's shoes; Roth Jewelry, 3-pc. baby set for feeding; The Mill, choice of pair of jeans for either mother or father; and Cook's Pharmacy, one box newborn Pampers, baby security thermometer and large nursery pack of "Wet Ones". The Dallas Post will give a one year subscription to the paper to the parents of the first born.

In order to be eligible for the "First Baby of 1981" contest, parents of the newborn must reside in Dallas, Dallas Township, Lake Township, Kingston Township, Jackson Township, Harveys Lake, Lehman Township, Franklin Township, and Noxen.

All gifts must be claimed no later than Jan. 31.



MERCY FUND GRANT-Sr. Rosemary, chairperson of the Mercy Action Fund, presents a grant for a project in ministry to Hispanic inmates at SCID to Sr. Barbara Craig, RSM, while Sr. Mary Ann Dillon, provincial administrator of the Scranton Province, looks on.



Drive safely!

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manger', so goes the story of the Christ Child. Each Christmas season Reddington Photo) throughout the area, beautiful Nativity scenes are displayed by residents.

NATIVITY--'And they wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in the The live scene, above, drew the attention of many passersby. (Martin

Looking back at 1980...

Looking back at 1980-was it of great significance to the people and communities of the Back Mountain or was it just another year at the beginning of a new decade?

To some, no doubt, 1980 was an important year, one to remember, to others, just a year to forget. In any event, we look back at 1980 and some of the ups and downs which it brought with it.

Jan. 2, 1980 John McManus resigns from Harveys Lake Borough Council after six years of service.

Local investors predict 1980 to be

tough economy year. Charles Crane home wins Dallas

Post holiday decorating contest. Team effort keeps Dallas cagers in Tunkhannock Tournament. Jan. 10

Carter sends belated "birthday greetings" to Dallas on occasion of the borough's 100th anniversary. Back Mountain municipal representatives have had no word on municipal funding of Cross

Jim Ross of Dallas has book

accepted by publisher. New Harveys Lake Council overturns appointments and decisions installed Dec. 28 by the old council. William Simms of Lehman

Township needs blood donors. Dallas Mountaineers win Dallas Holiday Tournament and Dallas Junior Paul Jobson is named most valuable player.

Judy Major in Pa. All-State Chorus.

Dallas Fall Fair Board's bond sale for Medical Center reaches the halfway mark.

New Back Mountain Medical Center to open Jan. 21, according to Dr. Lester Jordan, president of the Back Mountain Medical Center Board. Dallas School directors to study

changes in food and custodial ser-Former Dallas Olympian John

Pickett views United States boycott Bridgette returns from fun in the

Lake-Lehman plays best of

season to beat Dallas, 65-63.

· Back Mountain football rivals to play at end of 1980 season. Parents Aiding Learning

program to begin in Dallas Schools.

Dallas School Board to study the district's suspension policy. Commonwealth plans \$18.3 million improvements.

Rev. Patrick Healey, Our Lady of Victory, is assigned to St. John the Evangelist in Scranton.

Knights wrestler dominate Mounts in 37-19 win. Back Mountain Jaycees observe National Jaycee Week.

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Back Mountain Kiwanis sponsors "Vial of Life"

Margaret Purcell is named president of Harveys Lake Borough

Spokesman for Lehman Twp. Fire Company says new Fall Fair site will not cripple the financial status of the organization. Hitchcock's Lake-Lehman

wrestlers trounce Patriots 46-13. Dallas students score above the national median on national educational development tests.

Pennsylvania Senate confirmns the appointment of Charles Lemmond, Jr. to fill the unexpired term of Judge Richard Bigelow, who resigned in March, 1979.

Concerned Citizens oppose Jackson Township municipal building. Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania plans to build a branch office in the Back Mountain.

Frank Bevevino house on Shrineview Drive, Dallas, totally destroyed by a raging fire. Dallas Basketball Organization

plans year wrap-up of the year's program. Dallas Coach Larry Schuler's

grapplers defeat Crestwood and Bishop Hoban. Penn's Woods Girl Scouts begin

1980 cookie sale. Feb. 14

New Mexico prison set up not similar to SCID, says Jeffes, commenting on recent riot in the

New Mexico prison. Bishop names Rev. Burt Sweet to

fill post made vacant by death of the late Rev. Robert D. Yost.

Discussion on a Back Mountain water authority raises the question

"could it be DAMA?" Sunday, March 2, is announced as the date for open house at the new Back Mountain Medical Center.

Dallas Post to present bridal show on Feb. 20. Lake-Lehman wrestlers clinch AA title.

Brobst blames poor shooting for the Mountaineers 55-51 loss to Lake-Lehman Knights. Dallas Junior High TV studio

hums with new activity. Feb. 21 Dallas Cablevision claims

\$200,000 in improvements.

Atty. Peter J. Savage to replace Lemmond as Lake-Lehman School Board solicitor.

Dallas Rotary plays important community role during 75 years of service. "Radio Home Visitor" read The

Dallas Post to blind. In a game which took 40 minutes longer than the average game, Coach Clint Brobst's cagers de-

feated Seton Catholic 67-56. Dallas Senior High students are presenting a series of nutrition lessons to kindergarten children in the district.

Feb. 28 Dallas Area Municipality Authority approves rate increase for new hookups.

Wes Venable, general manager of Dallas-Shavertown Water Company, says a water authority may meet hostility.

St. Paul's Lutherans elect Frederic Anderson, Joseph Hardisky, Howard Swain and George

Voorhees to council. Knights coach, Shorty Hitchcock

is optimistic about AA districts at King's College. Former resident Jack Young-

blood is elder statesman of Virginia

DEAT director Jack Wolensky speaks on in-school suspensions. Lake-Lehman cites CAT improvement.

Wyoming county Redevelopment Authority discuss plans to seek grant for Noxen Tannery demolition.

In a rare unanimous vote Harveys Lake Council endorsed the plans of a group of Luzerne County organizations to stage a minimarathon around the lake as part of the Irish Heritage Games on June

Bingo Bill could aid Harveys Lake Legion bingo operation. Wilson's Restaurant closes pending change in ownership.

Lake-Lehman wrestlers walk away with Division AA team title in the PIAA District 2 competition at King's gym. Dallas wrestlers place 2nd in

Division AAA of the PIAA District 2 competition. John Buzinkai, Lake-Lehman high school student named national

merit finalist. March 13 Dallas teacher, employee contracts expire in summer 1980. Fall Fair Association receives

\$8,210 from two now discontinued community organizations. Sean Kavanagh, Dallas, and Rick Bonomo, Lake-Lehman win

regional titles in wrestling. Black Knights lose in district playoffs 62-40 to GAR.

March 20 Meadows plan finalized for Dallas Township.

Franklin Volunteer Fire Company commemorates 30 years.

Robert Pilger, Jr., receives Carnegie medal for heroism. Why did five coaches resign at

Dallas--their comments were vague and uneasy. Marsha Landis elected president

of Dallas Junior Woman's Club. Kavanagh loses in state wrestling competition. March 27

Powderhorn Estate residents complain to Dallas Borough Council about developer turning off power to the main pump of the sewage

College Misericordia announces plans to add new dormitory space. Tracey Turner and Clare Cotter

named to West All-Stars team. Back Mountain team to join Pocono Mt. soccer league. American Legion celebrates its

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