Vicky Stefanko Sets Run for County Office

Miss Vicky Stefanko, RD 1, Box 17, Mehoopany, has announced her candidacy for the office of prothonotary-clerk of courts of Wyoming County. The announcement is of special interest to residents of Noxen, Monroe and Northmore-

land Townships of Wyoming County. Miss Stefanko is currently serving as deputy prothonotary and clerk of courts in Wyoming County, a position she has held since December, 1979, under the supervision of Barbara Sheldon, the present prothonotary-clerk of

With the experience and knowledge she has obtained working in this office, she feels she can

town Fire Company, a

representative to the

Back Mountain Fire

Association, Kingston

serve Wyoming County and its residents well. Miss Stefanko is a life-

long resident of Wyoming

County and graduated from Tunkhannock Area High School in the National Honor Society. Her mother, Mrs. Shirley Boice Stefanko of Sugar Hollow, is a bookkeeper for the Wyoming County

Office. Her late father, Donald Stefanko, served as a mailman in Tunkhannock borough.

Miss Stefanko is a member of Tunkhannock Baptist Church where she is a leader in the Awana Youth Club. She also is a member of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.



Paxton Endorsed

Democratic Back Mountain Chairman Barbara Pitcavage, announces and endorses the candidacy of Jerry Paxton, for Kingston Twp. Supervisor.

"We feel that Mr. Paxton will not only make the best supervisor Kingston Twp. has ever seen, but has the foresight and leadership needed in a community that is rapidly growing," she said.

Paxton resides at 152 East Center St., Shavertown, with his wife Carole and their two children, Jerry, 11, and Therese, 5. Paxton has served the Back Mountain Area in various ways: active member of the Shaver-

Township Ambulance Association, Back Mountain Little League Association and Back Mountain Mini Football. He is employed at Proctor and Gamble, Mehoopany. Paxton feels that Kingston Twp. is spending

too much money for a community its size and will show later in his campaign how it is done. Also, he plans a study to solve our local unemployment problem and to help senior citizens in every way possible, as well as a youth program involvement in this time of economic crisis.

Detective Running for County Sheriff

Andrew J. Teslicko of Mountaintop, a retired detective from the Washington D.C. Police Department, has announced his candidacy for Luzerne County sheriff. In seeking this office, he cited his vast experience in the field of law enforcement, including six years as director of Police and Public Safety in Wright Twp., Mountaintop and a four-year

with the Luzerne County public defender's office.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he attended St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic School and Coughlin High School where he played football and co-captained the track team. He is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served with the 6th Fleet for five years.

He attended the University of Maryland in London, Kings College, American University,

FBI Advanced Detective Association; School and the Penn- onal Investigator's sylvania State Police Academy.

He is a member of numerous community and professional organizations, including: Wyoming Valley Crime Clinic, Executive Board, Northeast Police Chiefs' Association, Luzerne County Police Chiefs' Association, Executive Board, Life Member of the MPCD Police

Internati-Association; Mountaintop Knights of Columbus, Bishop Hafey, Wilkes-Barre, and American Legion Post 781, Mountaintop.

He resides with his wife the former Gloria B. Winn. The couple has five children, Tony, David, Theresa, John-Paul and

Teslicko will be running on the Democrat ticket.

whose photographs were

on display include Stanley

Vicky Stefanko

13 Candidates in May Primary

A renewed interest in the actions of the Dallas School District, combined with reports of recent incidents and problems, have resulted in a total of 13 candidates running in the May primaries for the six vacancies on the

The vacancies are due to the expiration of the six-year terms of Ernest Ashbridge, Jr., Russell Havey and Harry Lefko. who were elected to office, and those seats which will be vacated by Shawn Murphy, appointed when Patricia Gregory resigned; Albert Pisaneschi, appointed to serve out the term of the late Col. William Dierolf; and Patricia Gregory, reappointed to the board to complete the term of Dr. Mahmoud Fahmy, who resigned the board to

pointment in the mid-east. Incumbents whose names will appear on the ballot are Shawn Murphy, Ernest Ashbridge, Jr., Albert Pisaneschi and Patricia Gregory. Murphy and Ashbridge, Republicans, have crossfiled. Gregory, a former Pisaneschi, a former

accept a one-year ap-

Republican, have both cross-filed. Other candidates

running for the board

include Harry C. Sickler,

Republican, 105 Lehman Ave., Dallas; John George, Republican, 26 Memorial Hwy., Dallas; Donald S. Anthony, Republican, 69 Grandview Ave., Dallas; John J. Thomas, Republican, 169 W. Center Hill Road. Dallas; Reese E. Finn, Republican, 94 Lehman Ave., Dallas; William H. Clewell, Republican, 107 Carverton Road, Trucksville; Donald R. Jones, RD 3, Dallas; Richard H. Morgan, Republican, 145 Woodbine Road, RD 7. Midway Manor, Shavertown, and LaRoy Ziegler, Republican RD 3, Wyoming.

Ziegler, Morgan and George have cross-filed for the two-year term on the board and George also has cross-filed for the four-year term. All of the others have cross-filed for the four-year term on the

The Dallas School District is comprised of Dallas Borough, Dallas, Franklin and Kingston Townships. Directors are registered Democrat, and elected at large and not by district as in the Lake-

News Briefs

Back Mountain

Robert Friend Jr. has been remanded to Luzerne County Prison in lieu of \$500,000 bail on charges of stealing \$350,000 worth of precious gems. Friend was arraigned last week before District Justice Leonard Harvey. A preliminary hearing date is set for Thursday, March 3l at l p.m.

Friend was brought to Dallas by Luzerne County officials following extradition from El Paso, Texas. He was caught there while allegedly trying to cross the border

Roy P. Ridgeway, 34, of Dalton was arrested in June 1982 in connection with the crime. He pleaded guilty to conspiracy in the theft of the missing jewels and was sentenced to a minimum of seven months in prison.

The jewels were taken from a safety deposit box at the Dallas branch of the First Eastern Bank. They were the property of Seven Seals Corp. of Berwick.

Clifford Buckman Jones II waived yet another preliminary hearing on four more charges of criminal wrongdoing. The four are added to 82 separate counts of burglary, theft by unlawful taking, receiving stolen property and criminal trespass.

Jones, 22, of 94 Norton Ave., Dallas has been incarcerated while awaiting trial for the alleged crimes. The latest charges were filed by Dallas Borough patrolman John Fowler and include four counts each of burglary and receiving stolen property.

Jones was arraigned before District Justice Leonard Harvey last Thursday. He was represented by Attorney John Fine Jr. Bail was set at \$5,000 on each of the four charges, totaling \$20,000. The latest burglaries all occurred in Dallas in 1982. Victims were: Thomas Walters, 320 Machell Ave.; Ralph S. Smith, 429 N. Pioneer Ave.; Gary Ide, 22 Baldwin St.; and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Jacoby, 73 Church St.

Mark Walter Pilger, 24, Dallas has been ordered to appear before District Justice Earl Gregory for a preliminary hearing on April 12. Pilger was charged with driving under the influence by Kingston Twp. patrolman Joseph Bren and Robert Jolley last week.

He as arrested on Route 309 in Trucksville on Monday, March 21 after being observed driving recklessly. A breathalizer test registesred .19 blood alcohol con-

Lake-Lehman school director Gilbert Tough resigned his position as representative to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit last week. Tough cited business and personal reasons and said he has "enjoyed relationships with the board members and the administration and wish you well in taking care of the children in the Special Education Program, because that's what it's all about."

It was reported last week that the senior administrative staff at College Misericordia has prepared a position paper which may lead to program and faculty cuts. The position paper represents recommendations which will be discussed by governing groups within the college community. Final action on the recommendations is slated for April

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