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# Dozen Running for Dallas School Board

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The Dallas School Board electionwith 12 candidates in the running for an unprecedented six open seats-is shaping up to be one of the hottest local races this year.

The incumbent candidates are banker Ernest Ashbridge, 90 Mt. Airy Road, Shavertown, a 12-year school board veteran; homemaker Patricia Gregory, 170 Shady Lane, Trucksville, who served 11 years, left, and who has presently returned after being appointed to fill Dr. Mahmoud Fahmy's post; Planned Parenthood administrator Shawn Murphy, 61 Lehman Ave., Dallas who was appointed when Mrs. Gregory gave up her elected post and retired Al Pisaneschi, Sickler Road, Wyoming, who was appointed to serve the term of the late

Newcomers to the race are: William Clewell, retired, 197 Carverton Road, Trucksville, Reese Finn, engineer, 94 Lehman Ave., Dallas; Johnny George, self-employed at The Hoagie Bar, 26 Memorial Hwy., Dallas; Donald R. Jones, retired, R.D. 3, Dallas; Dick Morgan, electrician, Midway Manor, Shavertown; Harry Sickler,

retired, 105 Lehman Ave., Dallas; John Thomas, retired, 169 West Center Hill Road, Dallas; LaRoy Ziegler, retired, Carverton Road, Carverton.

Another prospective candidate, Donald Anthony, withdrew from the race after filing. Directors Harry Lefko and Russell Havey, who will be leaving office in January, also chose not to run in this election.

The six open seats on the school board are the result of a new statemandated system of four-year terms. Ideally three directors would run every two years, leaving three senior and three junior members on the board to assist inexperienced newcomers. This is the ideal, it is not, however, what is happening in Dallas. Only three board members-William Camp, Joe O'Donnell and Tex Wilson, all of who were elected two years ago-will remain on the board.

It is possible, but not probable, that six totally inexperienced people could be elected to the board this year. In an effort to catch up with the system and eliminate this possibility in the future, five of the candidates will be elected for four

years and one for two years.

Two of the candidates-LaRoy Ziegler and Dick Morgan-are running for the two-year term. Another candidate, Johnny George, is running for both a two and a four-year term.

The question has been raised as to what will happen if George should win both seats. Obviously he could fill only one, as presumably there would still be another appointment made to fill the other post.

Not surprisingly (in view of the record number of candidates), the main interest so far has been numerical in picking for ballot positions. On the Republican side for the four year seats the positions are 1, Sickler; 2, Thomas; 3, Gregory; 4, Pisaneschi; 5, Ernest Ashbridge; 6, Clewell; 7, Jones; 8, George; 9, Finn and 10, Murphy.

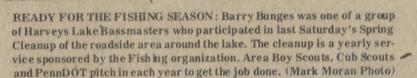
On the Democratic ticket-which omits Reese Finn, the only candidate who didn't cross file-Sickler once again has the number one spot, followed by Gregory, Clewell, Ashbridge, Murphy, Pisaneschi, George, Jones and Thomas.

For the two-year term, George holds the number one spot on both tickets. Ziegler is number two on the Republican ballot and third on the Democratic, Morgan is second on the Democratic ticket and third on the Republican.

Presumably the list of candidates will be narrowed down during the May 17 primaries when six Republicans and six Democratic candidates will be chosen by the voters. Any candidates winning on both tickets would practically be assured of winning in the general election when votes from both sides

will be added together.
On the other hand, a candidate winning on only one ticket would have a slimmer chance. This would be particularly true if the candidate was only on the Democratic ballot which one political observer noted was "the kiss of death in this hardrock Back Mountain Republican territory."

Thus a lot of heavy campaigning for the school board seats is expected prior to the spring primaries. Unfortunately there is no public "meet the candidate" night scheduled, as in past years. So it will be up to each individual voter to determine both the issues and the best candidates in this confusing election



## **Bullock: A Year After Heart Transplant**

Congratulations Bradley Bullock! After one year of fighting the ups and downs connected with coming back from a heart transplant, you finally know you're on the way.

Bradley celebrates his one year anniversary on April 15. The 20-year old Dallas resident continues to recuperate at home with his mother, Barbara Schall and is doing better every day.

Bradley is one of 40 percent of heart transplant patients who have made it past the six-month mark. And, with every day that passes, he is one more step further along the route to complete recovery.

Perhaps due to his young age and healthy body, Bradley originally managed to come back from the surgery with amazing speed. Last August, he was out of Columbia-Presbyterian Hospital in New York and walking five miles a day. Then, disaster in the form of a lung fungus struck, caused by the breakdown of his defense mechanisms. The

fungus caused further anguish since Brad needed two more operations during the fall. On his 20th birthday, Dec. 5, he was lying in a lung

However, not one to be kept down, the Dallas, Area graduate was back at home for Christmas Eve. And except for semi-monthly visits to the New York hospital where he was the first heart transplant patient under a new program, he has remained at home with his family.

Bradley's story is not a new one to the people of the Back Mountain. We have followed his progress from the start when, in February, 1982 he was told he could live only with the aid of a new heart. From that point until this, his one-year anniversary, the community has remained caring and concerned. However, Barbara Schall said the experience has given her an entirely different outlook on the idea of donating

gans.
"When things settle down here, I

am considering contacting the Delaware Valley Organ Retrieval Organization in Philadelphia," she explained.

That is the group that carries out organ searches in the Eastern Pennsylvania and Southern New Jersey areas. The group worked long and hard to find a suitable heart for Bradley last year.

Barbara was impressed and grateful enough for the miracle to look further into the program which gave her son his life. "You can donate any part of your body. It's your choice," she explained. "Besides hearts, there is a need for kidneys, bone marrow, eyes, the list just goes on and on."

Some organs can be removed and transported separately, but others (such as lungs) can only be transplanted with removal at the site of the operation. A heart can travel up to four hours by airplane.

A number of things can be done to make the living a ware of a wish to donate your organs for transplanting or research. In some states, that information can be included on your drivers' license. Also, donor cards are available to be carried in a

However, such actions mean nothing if living family members are unaware of a person's desire to donate his or her organs. Exterior trappings become meaningless if the family is unwilling to go along with the idea.

For this reason, Barbara strongly recommends discussing the idea with family members well in advance of something happening.

"If the next of kin are aware of your wishes, they can see to it that they are carried out. The hospital has absolutely no authority to take organs from a body unless authorized by the next of kin.

While Barbara intends to become more involved in the process of educating the public to the need and benefit of donating organs, she is particularly concerned that people don't put off thinking about the subject. "If you don't make a decision now and ensure that it will be carried out, it may end up being too late. I've seen how a person can receive new life because of this, I know it can make a difference."



IT'S ALMOST THAT TIME AGAIN: Reminiscent of last year's action, Wendy Hozempa moves the ball down the field in her own special way. Wendy was one of more than 500 area youths who populated the fields at College Misericordia, Lake-Lehman, Penn State, Kingston Twp. and Dallas Twp. last August, September and October in the Back Mountain Soccer Leagues. Watch the Dallas Post in upcoming weeks for registration information for the 1983 season. Registration will be held at an earlier date this year, so keep an eye open now.

#### Share the Good Life

A large crowd is expected to attend "Come Share More of the Good Life at Homemakers School 1983." The free program is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. on April 21 in Merrick Hall at College Misericordia with doors opening at 5:30 p.m.

Pam Johnson, well-known Homemakers School Home Economist, will be on-stage for the two and one half hour program. She plans to show a wide variety of recipes including breads, salads, desserts and main dishes.

Pam, is one of eight home economists who presents, these programs in over 300 cities across 48 states. It is the largest homemaker-oriented promotion in North America.

Appliances for use on-stage will be provided by Katyl's. Displays from area merchants will also be featured. Local participating sponsors

include: Dallas Hardware, Dallas

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monwealth Telephone, Offerman and Čo., Inc., Hoof 'n Paw Country and Western Store, First Eastern Bank, Carvel Ice Cream, Coca-Cola, Northeastern communications, Burger King, McDonald's, Back Mountain Lumber and Coal, Dallas Exxon, Middleswarth Potato Chips, Busy Hands Stitchery, Highway Liquidation, Video Palace Arcade, Baron's Seafood, Jamie's Ice Cream, Music Box Theatre, Mary Taylor's Hair and Skin Care Products, and Parker Fuel.

All who attend will register for prizes provided by local merchants. Bags of groceries and other prizes will be awarded, as well as the food prepared during the demonstration. Individual gift bags will be distributed at the door to all attending. These bags include samples, coupons and the "Come Share More of the Good Life at Homemakers School 1983 cookbook. Each person will be able to follow the recipes as demonstrated in their own copy of the cookbook.



WILL IT FLY? Renee McDonnell was trying to catch some wind in her kite at Frances Slocum Park. the other day. Even though it was an overcast and slightly chilly day, she didn't seem to notice, with trying to keep her kite alot. Renee is 8 years old and lives in Exeter. (Jayne Bradbury Photo)

### **Bogus Solicitations**

Jim Gruver, president of the Back Mountain Police Association has clarified that his organization is in NO way connected with the Wyoming Valley Lodge 36 of Fraternal Order of Police which is presently soliciting funds throughout the area. Gruver said solicitors are representing themselves as the Dallas Branch of the FOP. He noted, there are no local police personnel who are members of this organization. The official

police organization in the area is the Back Mountain Police Association which is not soliciting funds at this time.

Gruver said local police departments have been receiving calls from residents who have been approached by the FOP Lodge. In order to clear up any misconceptions, he wants it known that the Back Mountain Police Association is not a part of the present drive.

### Ready for the Road

Dallas Fire Company members are thrilled with the arrival of their rebuilt 1953 Class A Pumper, which one fireman described as "solid as a tenk"

After having a new diesel moter installed as well as new brakes, the pumper is now classed for in-

surance purposes as a 1983 model.

The rebuilding of the fire engine was done by the American LaFrance Company in Dunmore at a cost of \$45,000. It is now housed with the other three well equipped fire engines at the Dallas Fire and Ambulance quarters on Main

#### **Band to Be Honored**

The annual Lake-Lehman Band awards night will be held in the high school auditorium tonight at 7:30

Director John Miljauskas will present appreciation awards to all band students who have achieved individual honors by being selected to All-Eastern, Pennsylvania All-State, regional and district bands as well as district orchestra.

Those selected are Ed Havrilla, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Havrilla of Chase for All-Eastern, Pennsylvania All-State, regional and district bands as well as district orchestra and Virginia Yatsko, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Yatsko of Lehman was selected for regional and district bands and district orchestra.

Also Bonnie Perrego, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Perrego of Lehman, and Tom Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B.N. Davis of Harveys Lake were selected for

district band and Orchestra.

Selected to district and regional bands were: Michele and Daniele Hargraves, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. George Hargraves of Hunt-

sville; Stacey Cragle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cragle of Shickshinny; Bob Sando, son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sando of Hunlocks Creek, Keith Austin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Austin of Sweet Valley; and Billi-jo Sorber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Sorber of Harveys Lake.

Marijean Konopke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Konopke of Noxen, and Michael Annetta, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Annetta of Oak Hill were selected to District Band.

The Lake-Lehman stage band, under the direction of John Miliauskas, will provide entertainment for the evening. Members of the stage band are: Len Robey, John Preston, Mike Havrilla, John Stepanik, Joe Shonis, Terry Knorr, Keith Austin, Brent Bernstein, Mark Williams, Jerry Yankowski, bob Sando, Ed Havrilla, Stacey Cragle, Carol Thomas, Joan Drobnicki, Janet McCarroll, Eileen Raitter, Janet Yatsko, Virginia Yatsko, Bob Belcher, and Doug Ide.