



### Scouts Enjoy Rafting Trip

Members of Boy Scout Troop 331 of Harveys Lake recently participated in an 18-mile whitewater rafting trip down the Lehigh River in Jim Thorpe. Those attending the trip included Scoutmaster Lee Blansett, assistant scoutmasters Chet Keprowski and Jon Thomas, senior assistant scoutmaster Ray Phillips, senior patrol leaders Carson Gramley and George Hogen and Boy Scouts Billy Blansett, Chet Keprowski, Eric Toluba, Cris Toluba, Dennis Hogan, Andy Springer, J.R. Smith and Doug Frantz. Mr. and Mrs. Carson Gramley also attended the trip to help provide transportation. Troop members participated in a flag ceremony held at the Old Beaumont School Homecoming on May 29. The Scouts entered a float in the Tunkhannock Memorial Day Parade on May 30 and brought home a prize. Raymond Phillips, son of Percy and Louise Phillips of Eatonville, and senior assistant scoutmaster of Troop 331, was awarded a plaque by the Wyoming County American Legion as he was voted Boy Scout of the Year of Wyoming County. Members of Harveys Lake Boy Scout Troop 331 are shown here in their wet suits, or "green frog suits" as the boys called them, prior to their departure on an 18-mile whitewater raft trip down the Lehigh River.

## Back Country Briefs

Members of the three United Methodist Churches that comprise the Carverton UM Charge are completing plans for a farewell to be held Sunday evening at 7 at the Orange UM Church hall, honoring Rev. and Mrs. Allan Cease. Rev. Dr. Cease will conclude his pastorate of the Carverton UM Charge on Sunday, and on July 1 will assume duties as pastor of the High Street UM Church in Binghamton.

Belated congratulations are extended to Michael and Barbara Rowlands of Centermoreland, who observed their 18th wedding anniversary on June 5. They were married June 5, 1965. Mrs. Rowlands is the former Barbara Miller, daughter of Russell Miller and the late Anna Miller of Falls. Rowlands is the son of Michael and the late Nancy Rowlands of West Wyoming. The couple are parents of three daughters, Nancy, Missy and Amanda. The occasion was marked with a family dinner at the Apple Tree House in Harding.

Congregation of Northmoreland Baptist Church will honor 1983 graduates of the church at a covered dish supper Saturday evening at 6 in the church hall. Honored will be Brenda Rought, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Rought of Centermoreland; Albert Paltrinieri, son of Albert and Judy Paltrinieri, Centermoreland, and James Westcott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Westcott of Scranton. Miss Rought and Paltrinieri are graduates of Tunkhannock Area High School; Westcott is a 1983 graduate of Baptist High

School at Clarks Summit. Youth Group of the Carverton UM Charge will sponsor a Bike-A-Thon on Saturday with proceeds going to the United Methodist Youth Service Fund and the SPCA. The bike-athon will originate in Orange and travel around Harveys Lake and return, a distance of 30 miles. Following the bike-athon, participants will be treated to a picnic and swim at the home of Richard and Kay Love on Demunds Road.

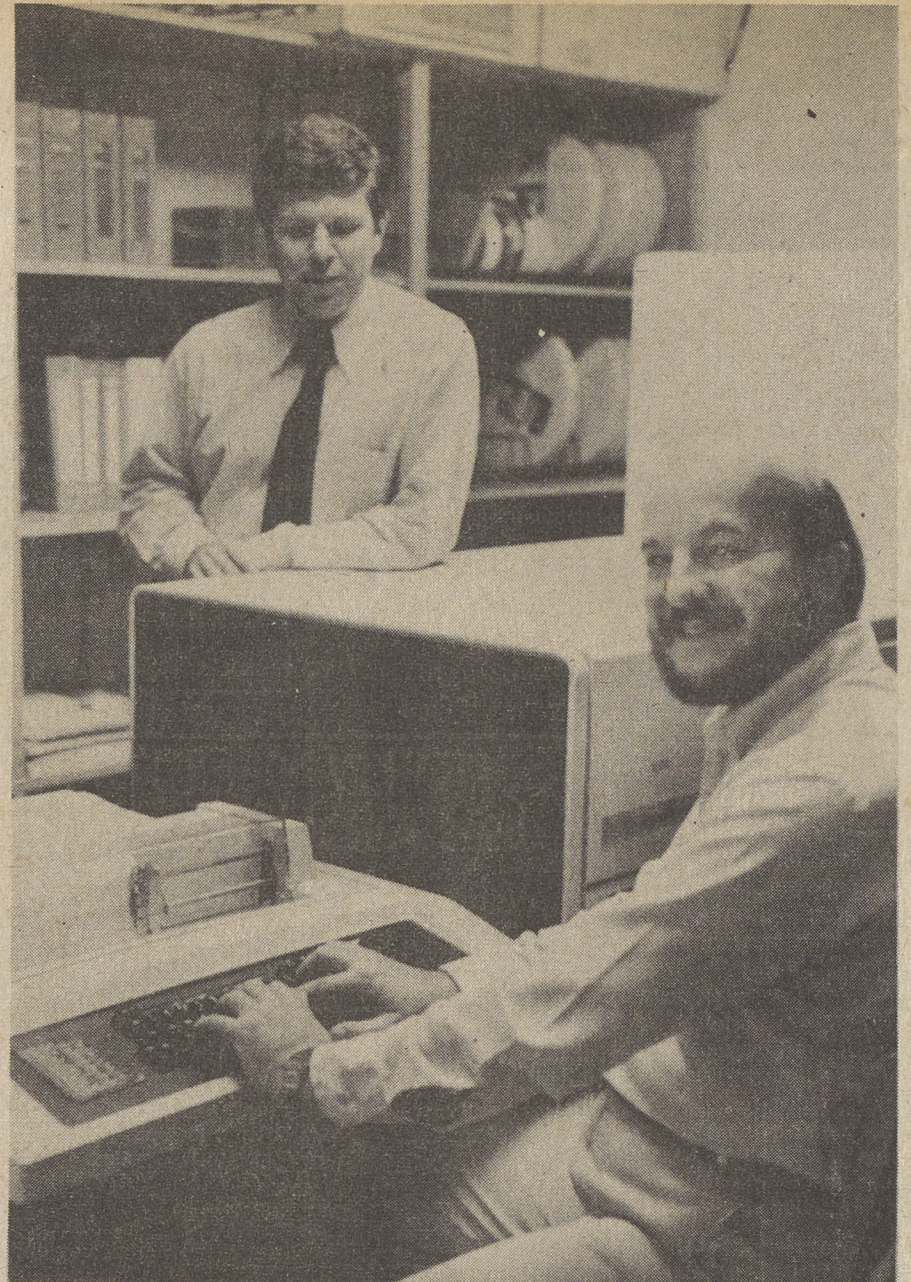
Members of the Carverton UM Charge Youth Group captured second place honors in the Best Youth Group competition held in conjunction with the annual Wyoming Conference sessions at Scranton June 10-12. Youth Group of the Windsor, N.Y. UM Church placed first. The local Youth Group is comprised of young people from the three UM Churches of the Carverton Charge at Carverton, Orange and Mount Zion. Officers are president, Jean Perry; vice president, Mark Meade; secretary-treasurer, Barry Dewey; advisors, Richard and Kay Love.

The Daily Vacation Bible School, scheduled for the week of June 27 at the Orange UM Church, has been cancelled.

Congregation of Northmoreland Baptist Church will hold a church picnic on Monday, July 4, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Steransky in Centermoreland. It will be an all day affair with a varied program of games and contests scheduled. The Steransky residence is located on the Route 292 spur across from Dick Montross' Farm Equipment dealership.

Flowers on the altar for services in East Dallas United Methodist Church were placed there in honor of the 40th wedding anniversary of Warren and Marilla Stanton. The Stantons have two sons, Robert and Carl, and the flowers were presented by Laing and Priscilla Coolbaugh and family.

Daily Vacation Bible School, sponsored by Centermoreland UM Church, will conclude on Friday.



Dr. Joseph Tomasovic, right, points out some of the aspects of College Misericordia's new computer to Arthur Kirk, vice president of the College. Dr. Tomasovic is the director of the Academic Computer Science Program which is now using a new VAX computer by Digital Equipment Corporation.

## Misericordia Acquires Academic Computer

It has not yet been announced whether College Misericordia will offer a course in designing and marketing computer games, but with its newly acquired academic computer, the college will certainly have the capability for such a program.

College Misericordia replaced its academic computer with a VAX 11-730, with three megabytes of main memory, by Digital Equipment Corporation (DEC). It is the latest in a family of DEC computers which the manufacturer considers its "thrust for the 80s."

The VAX computer is for student use only. Col-

lege Misericordia utilizes a separate on-line system for all administrative programs. The result is that students are nearly guaranteed access to the academic computer.

According to Dr. Joseph Tomasovic, academic computer service program director at College Misericordia, all students, from freshmen to seniors, will be able to use the computer when they want to. "They will avoid the common college and university syndrome of punching cards and relying on one or two computer operators. Students will have immediate access to the VAX on one

of our video terminals."

College Misericordia offers bachelor of science degrees in computer science and information systems. The college also allows students to concentrate in these areas while earning a bachelor's degree in another major, such as mathematics or business administration.

Tomasovic expects about 80 computer science and information systems majors by 1985. "We will limit enrollment," Tomasovic noted, "to ensure computer access and to provide individual attention to each student. I believe this is beneficial in learning the intricacies of computer science."

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### Exhibit Opens

The Wyoming Historical and Geological Society announces the opening of "Pennsylvania Minerals". The permanent exhibit is housed on the second floor of the Historical Society's Museum, 69 S. Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, located behind the Osterhout Library.

The exhibit can be viewed during the museum's public hours.

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## Changes are Made in Local Churches

Several area pastors and a number of former area residents were involved in the changes announced at the annual Wyoming District Conference of the United Methodist Church, which was held at the University of Scranton and Elm Park United Methodist Church in Scranton June 10-13.

Changes in the pastors at the Carverton United Methodist Charge and the Noxen-Kunkle UM Charge were announced. Rev. Dr. Allan Cease, who has been pastor of the Carverton UM Charge for four years, has been appointed to the pastorate of the High Street UM Church in Binghamton,

N.Y. Rev. Dr. Cease has served UM pastorates at St. Paul's in Endicott, N.Y.; Slocum, Derr Memorial in Wilkes-Barre and Forest City.

Rev. Donald Sperling, who has been pastor of the Noxen-Kunkle-Ruggles UM Charge for four years, has been named pastor of the Oxford, N.Y. UM Church.

Rev. Robert Wood, who has been pastor of the Lake Winola-Falls UM Charge for six years, has been appointed to the pastorate at the Dalton UM Church. Rev. Wood formerly served as pastor at Plains, Waymart, Sterling and also served as associate pastor at the Endicott, N.Y. UM Church. His father, the late Rev. Robert Wood, served as pastor of the Carverton UM Charge during his ministry.

Rev. Wood will be succeeded at the Falls-Lake Winola UM Charge by Rev. J. Daniel Herron, who is presently serving as pastor at the Montrose UM Church. Rev. Herron, a Duxbury native, has served UM Churches at Sidney Center, N.Y., Schenectady and New Berlin, both in New York State. He was ordained in 1961.

The Carverton and Noxen-Kunkle UM Charge will be served by a Nebraska couple, husband and wife, who will assume pastoral duties at area UM Churches about July 1. They are Rev. Roger Ainsle-Richards and his wife, Rev. Pegg Ainsle-Richards. Both were ordained back in 1975. Rev. Mr. Ainsle-Richards will fill the vacancy at Carverton, succeeding Rev. Dr. Allan Cease, who moves up to Oxford, N.Y. The Carverton UM Charge includes UM Churches at Carverton, Orange and Mount Zion.

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