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'Adam' has parents all over concerned

By JANE C. BOLGER
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The impact of "Adam," the tragic TV movie last week about a missing six-year-old has parents nationwide asking "What if it were my child?"

What do you do?

The first thing you do if your child is missing is call the police.

Using the policy of the Dallas Township Police Department as an example of local ways of locating missing children, a police officer would go immediately to the scene and start searching the neighborhood. He would go as far as door-to-door canvassing, asking if anyone has seen the child.

Police Chief Carl Miers explains, "This initial check of the area and with friends and neighbors of the child is to determine that they are really missing, not just playing somewhere else."

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"If the child is not located, the parents would then be requested to sign an affidavit, enabling the police to put the child in the National files as a missing person," continued Miers. "The reason for the parental authorization is the Privacy Act and the Criminal History Act," explained Miers, "but the exception

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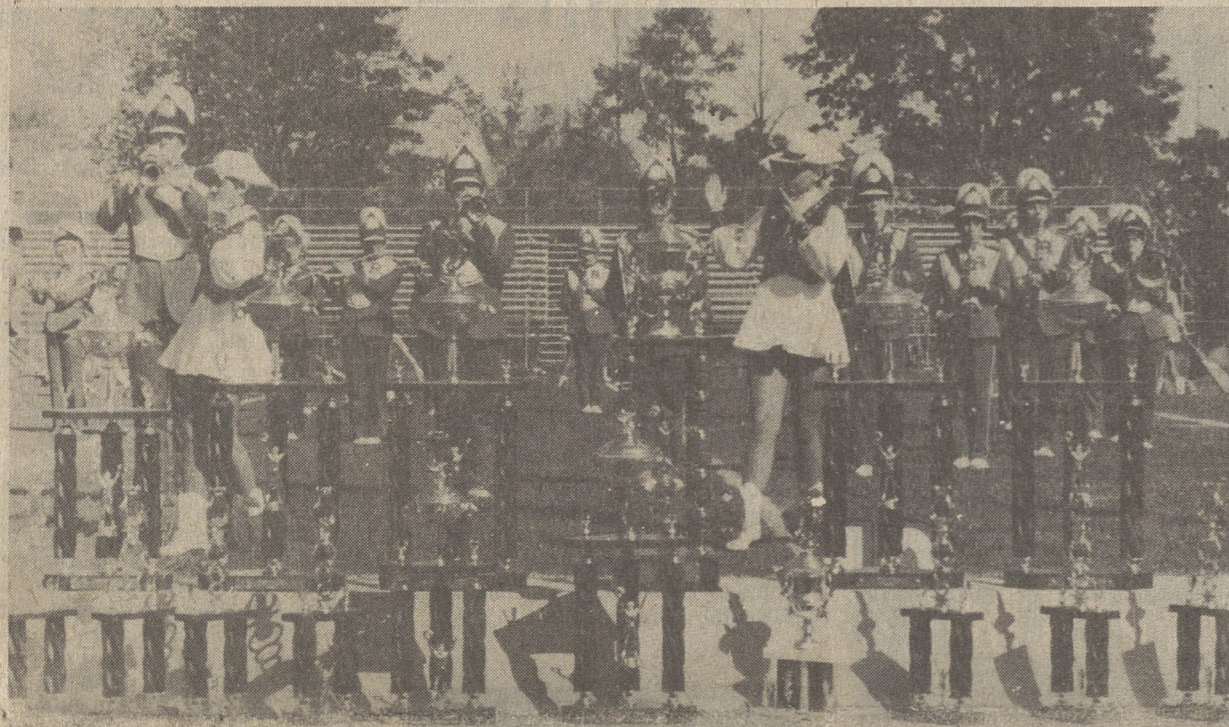


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Homecoming Court

Shown here are members of the 1983 Homecoming Court at Dallas High School and their escorts. Homecoming ceremonies were at halftime of the Oct. 15th game against Pittston Area. From left, Robin Pawling, 1982 Homecoming Queen; Bob

Richardson, Christi Strauser, 1983 Homecoming Queen; Craig Rome, Lori Handley, Joe O'Donnell, Karen Evans, Dale Fitch, Marie Germata, Shawn Kravitsky, Sue King, Jim Walsh, Polly Kunkle, Ed Gorey, Wendy Van Horn and John Bourke.



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Trophies galore!

Pittston Area Band members are shown here as they compete in the "March of Champions" held last Sunday at the Lake-Lehman High School football field. Eleven area bands participated, but Montrose Area High School came out on top.

Operation Nightmare was just that!

By WALLY KOCHER
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Operation Nightmare, an event held for teenagers of the area, turned out to be just that - a nightmare.

The event, which was sponsored by local Word of Life clubs, was

held Oct. 8 at the Lake-Lehman High School.

Operation Nightmare was split into three different stages with each stage supposed to be more terrifying than the previous one.

The first stage began at Bonomo's Bowling Alley on Memorial Highway where all the youths gathered

to begin their excursion. From here, the caravan of buses, vans, and cars followed a hearse to the high school where the second phase of the program was held.

Upon arrival at the school, the youths were escorted to the "haunted woods" behind the school where they were separated into smaller groups of approximately 10 in each group. Each group then followed a predestined trail in which they encountered numerous tragedies.

Besides the "tragedies" that had been planned by the operation's sponsors, there were also several unplanned tragedies that lay in the paths of the youths.

Obstacles that had to be tackled included such things as fallen trees and limbs which more than one person fell over, and thorn bushes that tore at the clothing and skin of many participants.

After making it through the woods in one piece - give or take a piece - the groups were instructed to proceed directly to the cafeteria inside the school. While waiting in the darkness for stage three to begin - which was supposed to be the most terrifying of the three - restlessness set in. Participants were repeatedly told to stand in single file along the wall and to remain quiet while an usher marched up and down the line making sure the people did as they were told.

Sally Keithline of Dallas, one of the participants, became so apprehensive at one point that she shrieked, "What are they going to do now, shoot us?"

Finally, the line began to move, and the crowd was again split into smaller groups and escorted into the gym.

Once inside, the only thing visible through the pitch dark was the figure of a man standing beside a coffin in front of the gym. The group learned later that the man was Mike Calhoun, a youth speaker from Atlanta, Georgia.

Each group was escorted up front to view the body in the coffin. During this time, silence was demanded.

Calhoun, who travels nationwide speaking to youth groups, delivered a speech to Operation Nightmare participants, after which the group disbanded from the gym. Indeed, the experience was a frightening one, but not necessarily one this writer cares to repeat.



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Carrier honored

John Cooper, Marabee St., Dallas, is shown receiving a certificate of appreciation and a gift certificate to Joe Nardone's Gallery of Sound from Sheila Hodges, Dallas Post Circulation Manager. Cooper, 13, received Honorable mention in the recent Pennsylvania Newspaper Publishers Association (PNPA) Newspaper Carrier Contest. A ninth grade student at Dallas Junior High School, Cooper has been delivering The Dallas Post for more than a year. He is shown here with his parents, Sandy and Jerry Cooper and his sister, Jenny.

Which color is best for you?

By JANE C. BOLGER
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"Everybody shouldn't have a basic black dress because not everyone can wear black," says Peggy Metz of Dallas who recently started her own company "Colorfully Yours."

Using a fashion concept new to this area, Peggy and her Program Director Juanita Miller are providing personal color analysis for area women that is guaranteed to take the guesswork out of your wardrobe.

"Color plays a terribly important part in how you look," says Juanita. "Identifying your own color gives you confidence. If you look good, you feel good about yourself." Since Juanita has 35 years of experience in the retail field, knows how women look in clothes and has made quite a name for herself conducting fashion shows, her advice is invaluable.

Peggy, who has often modeled in local shows and attended a color analysis training school in Washington, D.C., explains further, "You are either a yellow base person or a blue base person." Using the new method of personal color identification, "you will be classed as spring, summer, fall or winter."

A lifetime color analysis takes about an hour and a half during which time your skin tones, hair and eye color are compared and you have the opportunity of being draped in up to 100 different colored material swatches.

"Bring a friend along," says Peggy. "She can see how dramatically you change if we put bright red or soft blue up to your face."

"Statistically, most people are wintery; then come summers," Peggy added. "Only 16 percent of people are autumns and 14 percent are spring. Yet, most of the make-up and clothes today are made for the minority spring and autumn people."

"There are a lot of clothes out there that are wrong for you," she warned, using the fashionable khaki army green as an example. "Only autumn can wear that color," she said, "just as only spring should wear peach make-up." Peggy and Juanita have recently added make-up to their color analysis as a convenience to customers.

When you are finished with your color analysis, which is done by appointment only either at the Majestic II Salon in the Pine Mall or by calling 675-4930 or 675-0615, you will receive a personal swatch book to carry with you.

"Taking this compact size palette book on all your shopping trips can 'make you look terrific while saving you both time and money,'" says Juanita.

Peggy, who first became interested in color analysis four years ago when she visited a friend in California and noticed the difference in her, said, "I couldn't believe the difference it made in her. If you saw her before, you wouldn't have remembered her; then, suddenly, she looked fantastic."

Peggy believes "the difference is people start noticing you and not your clothes. If someone says to you, 'that's a pretty dress you have on,' chances are it's the wrong color or they'd be saying "Gee, you look terrific!"

"This is exciting," said Juanita. "After 35 years in the clothing business, I have so much faith in this new color concept."

Juanita has been busy mailing invitations to various clubs and organizations that might be interested in "Colorfully Yours." The Dallas Junior Woman's Club had their presentation last week with "terrific audience reaction" reported Peggy as she selected



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Colorfully yours!

Peggy Metz, standing, and Juanita Miller use color swatches to determine which color looks best. Metz, who operates "Colorfully Yours," helps people determine which colors are best for them. Miller is the program director for the business.

colors for a club member picked from the audience.

The service is also available to men, who shouldn't all be wearing gray flannel suits, according to Peggy. However, the only male customers have been husbands selecting a unique gift for their wives plus one local businessman

who is giving female members of his office staff trips to "Colorfully Yours" as Christmas presents.

With Peggy and Juanita hard at work, it wouldn't be surprising to see a lot of area women heading their "Dear Santa" letters with a request to "color me beautiful."

Town meetings scheduled

A committee of specialists in the field of drug and alcohol abuse met recently at WVIA-TV's Pittston Studio to watch a teleconference-training film for "The Chemical People", a nationwide campaign against school-age drug abuse.

The committee, whose 12 members are affiliated with state and county drug and alcohol agencies, has been coordinating the "Chemical People" project since June in the 19 counties of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

Committee members are working with WVIA's Chemical People project coordinator, Lynne Liquori Brown, to organize town meetings in their communities on Nov. 2 and 9, when First Lady Nancy Reagan hosts two PBS specials entitled "The Chemical People."

In the Back Mountain area, town meetings have been scheduled at the Dallas Junior High School and the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School on Nov. 2 and 9.

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