

Veterans to be tested

Better than one out of every 10 of an estimated 60,000 Vietnam veterans enrolled in the Pennsylvania American Legion will be asked to complete a questionnaire in a special health study restricted to veterans of that period.

The Pennsylvania Legion is one of six Legion state organizations selected for participation in the full-scale special study being conducted jointly by Columbia University and the Legion National Organization.

Research for which the questionnaire will be a tool will deal with: 1. The perception of the Veterans Administration by the Vietnam veteran; 2. A study of combat stress and post-Vietnam syndrome; and 3. Agent Orange.

Dr. Jeanne Stellman of Columbia University, and her husband, Dr. Steven Stellman of the American Cancer Society, are assisting in the research.

Approximately 15,000 Vietnam War veterans in the Legion will be sent questionnaires in the study. Of that number, slightly more than one-third or 5,176 will be from Pennsylvania. Questionnaires will be divided evenly among Vietnam War veterans who served in Southeast Asia and those who were not in the combat zone. There will be a comparison of health findings for the veterans and their children from both groups sent questionnaires.

The results of the research will be used by the Legion National Organization in its efforts with the federal government and the VA for the Vietnam veteran.

Dino Canarini will be assisted by 10 captains. The captains, in turn, will be directing the work of 259 research volunteers who by telephone will be searching out the 5,176 Vietnam veterans to respond to the questionnaire.

All telephone calls will be made and questionnaires will be mailed by February 6. The last follow-up will be made by March 9, 1984.

Citing the importance of the study to the individual Vietnam veterans as well as his group and to the Legion in its work for them, State Commander Carozzoni stressed the need for full cooperation by those contacted in the study.

United Penn sets up fund for Statue

United Penn Bank, in conjunction with the Polish Union of the United States of North America, has established a special account to handle contributions to the Statue of Liberty-Ellis Island Centennial Commission.

All 25 offices of United Penn Bank in a five-county area will be accepting contributions to this worthwhile cause.

Anyone interested in making a contribution may do so at any teller window at any United Penn Bank office or mail a check payable to Statue of Liberty to United Penn Bank, c/o Statue of Liberty, 8-18 West Market Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711, or to the Polish Union of the United States of North America at 53 North Main Street, Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701.

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wear and are presently available from Mrs. Sitar. In addition to symbolizing the feet of a tiny infant, Mrs. Sitar believes they express "the small steps we have to take back from the big jump to legalized abortion."

One way the group going to Washington will attempt to accomplish this is by using the time after the protest march to visit their local legislators to make known their feelings about changing the abortion laws. Another way is to give the general public more information about the beginning of life and the subsequent "murder of babies."

Mrs. Sitar has chosen to share the following paragraphs from a recently-published Pro-Life brochure:

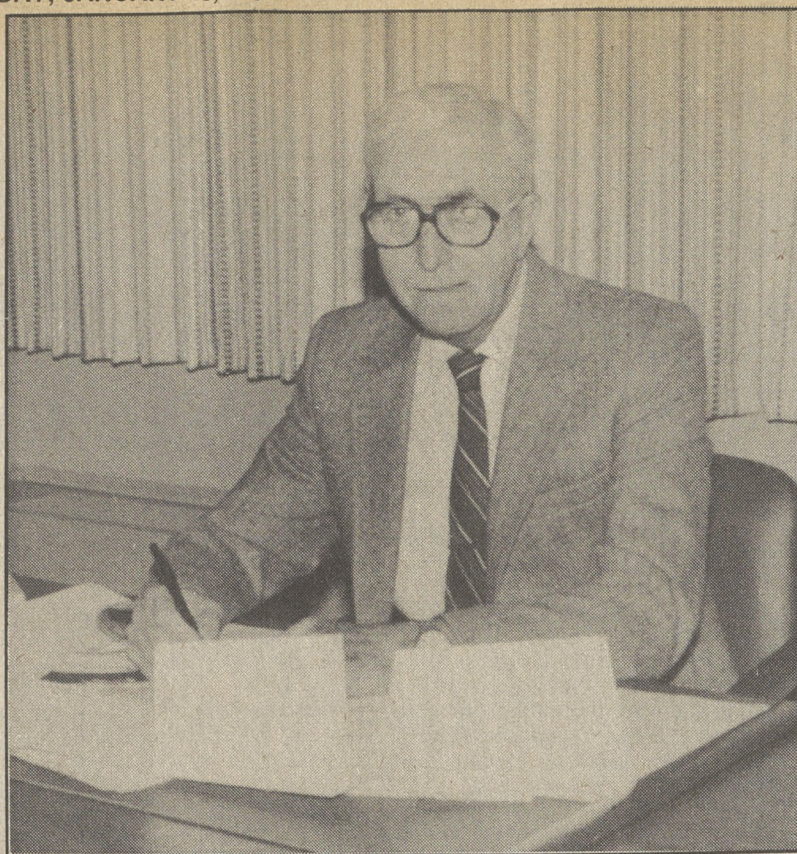
"At the very moment of conception, a genetically complete and unique individual is created. By the end of the first month of pregnancy, both the brain and heart are functioning.

"The internal organs will continue to grow and mature for 25 to 27 years before all are fully developed, but they are all present by the end of the eighth week, and most are functioning.

"By the end of the third month of pregnancy, the child can kick his legs, curl and fan his toes, make a fist, move his thumb, bend his wrist, turn his head, squint, frown, and open and close his mouth.

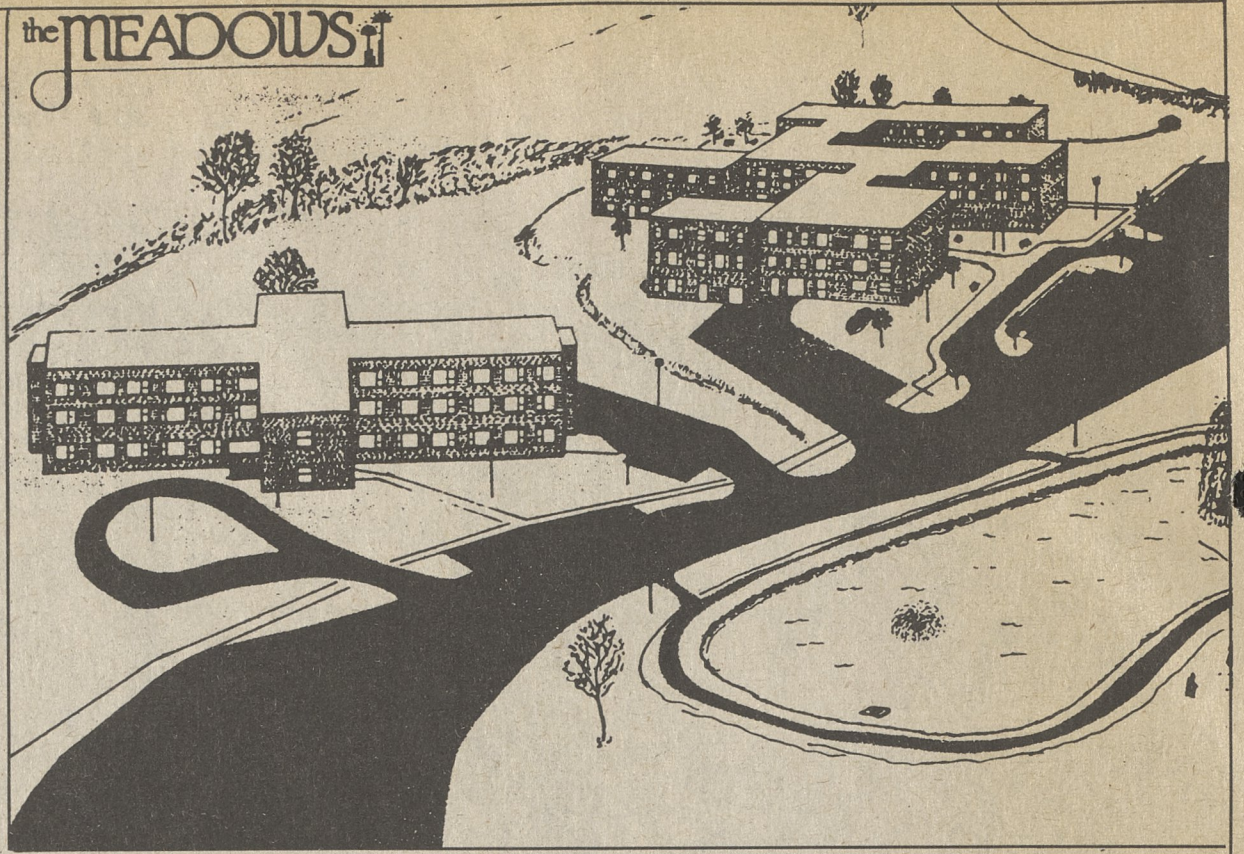
"Before the mid-point in the pregnancy, the baby has developed most of the characteristics he will show after birth. He sleeps and wakes, and when he sleeps, he usually settles into a favorite position. He cannot only hear, but can even recognize his mother's voice.

"Clearly, birth does not represent the creation of a new human being. The only real functional change following birth is in the source of food and oxygen. All scientific evidence proves the unborn child is very much a living human individual."



Artist at work

Don Williams is shown at his desk at the Meadows Apartments in Dallas during the process of preparing more of his pen and ink sketches.



Holiday sketch

Depicted above is the pen and ink sketch of the Meadows Geriatric Complex in Dallas that was drawn by Don Williams and later composed onto holiday cards and notepaper.

Don 'Energy' Williams active at Meadows

Don Williams is the type of gentleman who, even though he is retired, may consider getting a job simply to take a rest. Fortunately however, for his many friends who benefit from his efforts, Don can adopt "Energy" as his middle name.

Since March of 1982, Williams has been a resident, together with his equally energetic wife, Sarah, at the Meadows Apartments in Dallas. Together they make a team that make the word "active" an understatement of their activities.

Besides serving as treasurer of the Social Club at the Meadows,

Don is always an involved participant in the many functions the Club sponsors throughout the year. He also proudly points out that he is the founder and leader of the Meadowlarks - the singing group from the Apartments that appears at many local events. And if this isn't enough, Williams recently assumed the role as consultant to a fledgling singing group at the Midtowne Apartments in Wyoming.

A resident of the Back Mountain Area for the past 28 years, the former insurance agent has also fostered a long-held artistic ability in pen and ink sketches.

Always interested in art, Williams admits that he is "basically, self-taught in his sketching" but shies away from more elaborate art forms because, as he confesses, he is "terrible with colors."

His latest endeavor has been a pencil sketch of the entire Meadows' complex - a scenic 15 acre tract of land containing both the Meadows Apartments and the newly complete Nursing Center. That sketch was then composed by a local printer onto holiday cards and notepaper. Both items are sold at very nominal cost at both the Apartments and the

Nursing Center with proceeds going to the Social Club.

As Williams explained, "We were looking for some way to create an identity for the Meadows Complex. At first we considered using a photograph, but after more thought, we felt the sketch would be much more personal."

The Kingston native has also done a sketch of the Garden Village Apartments, presently under construction in West Pittston, for Ecumenical Enterprises Inc. (EEI is the local non-profit corporation that owns and manages the Meadows, Midtowne

Apartments and Interfaith Heights in Wilkes-Barre and will soon have the same role at Garden Village.) EEI has already incorporated the sketch on the tenant handbook and also the tenant brochure for Garden Village.

Despite all the time he puts into these volunteer labors, Williams always conserves personal moments for his son, Donald Jr., and his wife and two boys, Mark and Eric, who live in Nanticoke. Truly, Williams makes it clear that the term "retirement" does not mean slowing down but, perhaps more correctly, a change of course.

People in the news

ROSE MARIE HOHEN, 412 Hemlock Drive, Dallas, has been admitted to the John Heinz Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, Wilkes-Barre.

KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY has awarded degrees to 229 students who completed studies this fall. Dr. Lawrence M. Stratton, university president, has announced.

Degrees were conferred on the following local students: Ann M. Spencer, 84 Norton Ave., Dallas, BFA, communications design; Cathy L. Elliott, Box 542G, Harveys Lake, BS in elementary education; and Thomas J. Pucci, Main Road, Sweet Valley, BFA, communications design.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS was Private Matthew W. Evans of Church Street, Dallas, who graduated Dec. 16 from Airborne Ranger Infantry School. After his 10-day leave, Matt returned to Fort Benning, Georgia, for additional paratrooper training.

'Joker's Wild' makes debut

The Pennsylvania Lottery ushers in 1984 with the JOKER'S WILD, the new instant game which utilizes playing card symbols similar to that player favorite, 3-of-a-Kind.

On Jan. 10, Joker's Wild, the new \$1 instant game, went on sale at more than 7,600 Pennsylvania Lottery retailers throughout the Commonwealth. With this new instant game, comes chances to win cash prizes of up to \$100,000.

In addition to the top instant prize of \$100,000 players could win free tickets, \$2, \$5, \$25, \$1,000 or \$5,000. Claimed Joker's Wild free-ticket winners give Lottery players chances at the top prize of the game, \$1,000 a week for life (\$1 million guaranteed).

"As in previous instant games," Lottery Executive Director Lynn Nelson explained, "ten finalists will be chosen from the returned free-ticket winners. However, in this particular game, the 10 will be invited to a special feature horse race at Penn National Race Course in Grantville, Pennsylvania. Each finalist is guaranteed a minimum prize of \$5,000 with the possibility of winning \$10,000, \$15,000, \$20,000 or \$1,000 a week for life (\$1 million guaranteed)."

The Joker's Wild game ticket consists of six rub-off play spots, each covering a playing card symbol. The symbols used are the ace, king, queen, jack, ten, nine, eight and joker. If the same symbol appears under three of the play spots, the player wins the prize designated for the symbols revealed. Of course, in Joker's Wild, the joker is wild and can be used with any pair to win.

Joker's Wild, designed to run nine weeks, will give players a chance for over 5.9 million free-ticket winners and instant cash prizes totaling more than \$16.5 million.

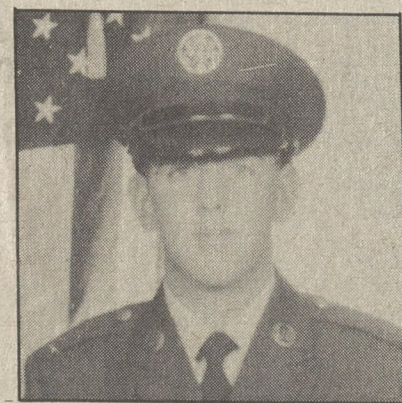
Sales of the instant game, Holiday Greetings, ended on Jan. 9. The Holiday Greetings Grand Prize Drawing will be held in early February.



Parents hold tea

The Wyoming Seminary Lower School Parents Association recently held its annual Christmas Tea following a student holiday presentation in the auditorium for more than 500 parents, grandparents, teachers and friends of the Lower School in Forty Fort. Members of the Christmas Tea Committee of the Lower School Parents Association, are shown here. From left, are Barbara Watkins, Dallas; Nancy

Kanjorski, Nanticoke, co-chairwoman; Libby Sieminski, Plains; Jann Fay, Mountaintop; Patricia Klein Rosenthal, Dallas; Bonnie Lenahan, Wilkes-Barre; Louise Falcone, Plains, chairwoman; Judith Hyzenski, Forty Fort; Marena Gibbons, Wyoming; Maria Rubando, Wilkes-Barre; Jane Jones, Dallas; Dianne May, Dallas; Joan Moore, Shavertown; Linda Lawrence, Kingston; and Joyce Gutstein, Kingston.



AIRMAN SCOTT A. PEARSON

Pearson assigned to Keesler Air Force Base

Airman Scott A. Pearson, son of Joseph F. and Eunice J. Pearson of Rural Route 1, Sweet Valley, has been assigned to Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., after completing Air Force basic training.

During the six weeks at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree in applied sci-

ence through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman will now receive spe-

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