



**Films donated**

Seventeen films from the "Here's Looking At You - Two" curriculum were transferred from the Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program to the Luzerne Intermediate Unit during a recent meeting. Those participating at the occasion are shown here. From left, Thomas Cesarini, Associate Director, Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program;

Nello Riccetti, Executive Director, Luzerne Intermediate Unit; Philip R. Tuhy, chairman, Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program Executive Commission; Francis Houston, Instructional Materials Service Director, Luzerne Intermediate Unit; and Dr. Thomas E. Di Matteo, Executive Director, Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program.

**Groups join to prevent abuse**

At a recent meeting, the Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program and the Luzerne Intermediate Unit 18 joined in an effort aimed at preventing drug and alcohol abuse amongst young people in Luzerne and Wyoming Counties.

The Drug and Alcohol Program loaned the Intermediate Unit 17 films which are part of a comprehensive drug and alcohol prevention curriculum for students in grades kindergarten through 12th grade. In turn, Luzerne Intermediate Unit will process the films through their instructional materials service, thereby making the films available

through an established loan system that all of the schools have been utilizing for many years. Frances M. Houston is the director of instructional materials service.

The curriculum, "Here's Looking At You - Two," is considered one of the best drug and alcohol education prevention programs in the country. It is much more than the historical information only approach used by institutions in the past.

Information has not successfully prepared young people to deal with the monumental drug and alcohol issues of our society. "Here's Look-

ing At You - Two" recognizes the need for accurate information, but also considers other human needs, thus, the curriculum focuses on four major components: information, decision making, self-concept, and coping. Assisting young people to develop such critical life skills related to issues of individual drug and alcohol use or abuse is the major goal of the curriculum.

Thomas Cesarini of the Luzerne-Wyoming County Drug and Alcohol Program has provided orientation programs on the curriculum to all school superintendents, curriculum directors and many teachers and

parent groups in the bi-county area.

In addition, selected teachers in the following school districts have been trained to use the curriculum: Dallas, Wilkes-Barre, Lake-Lehman, Tunkhannock, Northwest, Nanticoke, Hanover, Crestwood, Wyoming Valley West, Wyoming and Pittston. The majority of teachers trained thus far are in the junior high school level.

Three districts - Dallas, Lake-Lehman and Tunkhannock have received subsequent training and have proceeded to implement the curriculum in the elementary grades. The long range goal is to have all districts implement the curriculum comprehensively, that is, providing it to all students in grades kindergarten through 12.

**Jarolin seeks re-election**

Stanley J. Jarolin, D-Luzerne, announced recently that he intends to seek re-election to the House of Representatives.

"My first year as the State Representative from the 119th district has provided me the opportunity to meet with officials on all levels of our government...local, state and federal," Jarolin said. "Through these meetings, my work on various House committees, and with the input from constituents, I have been able to bring many of the problems that face residents of Luzerne County to the attention of those who can provide solutions."

"With the added seniority of a second term," Jarolin added, "I will have more input with regard to appropriations as well as other matters facing the residents of the 119th district. I have sponsored or co-sponsored over 170 bills so far this



STANLEY J. JAROLIN

session, many of these will greatly benefit the residents of Luzerne County. I intend to keep working toward finding solutions to the problems that face the constituents of the 119th district, as well as those that affect the entire Common-

wealth. "One of my goals this session, was to reduce the Corporate Net Income Tax to small businesses. This goal was achieved with the signing of Act 90 of 1983. Act 90 would tax qualified small businesses at the state personal income tax rate of 2.45 percent rather than at the corporate rate of 10.5 percent. It is my hope that this will help to increase employment in Northeastern Pennsylvania."

Rep. Jarolin is and has been a full-time legislator. He is available to the public every day of the week, either at the Plymouth Office, his home or the Harrisburg Office.

"The input I receive from the constituents is very important to me," he said. "It would not be possible to represent this district either fairly or justly if I did not receive this input."

**UGI prepared to help customers with bills**

UGI Corporation's Electric Utility Division is notifying its residential heating customers that the company stands ready to make arrangements for payment of the unavoidably higher heating bills that are resulting from the record-breaking low temperatures of December and January.

Electric Utility Division Manager-Consumer Relations Fred Hartwigsen said that UGI has had a long-standing policy of working with customers who have had difficulty paying their bills.

"We're issuing a reminder now,"

Hartwigsen explained, "because it seems very likely that this extraordinarily severe winter may cause financial problems among customers who have not previously had difficulty in paying their bills and, consequently, may not be aware of our readiness to help."

The reminder, Hartwigsen said, will appear in two forms: "One, the message will be printed on the bills of customers who are not already on our Equal Monthly Payment plan.

"Two, UGI will advertise in the principal newspapers in our service

area. "The basic message will be the same in both cases," Hartwigsen said: "If customers feel their abnormally high bills caused by extremely cold weather may create a payment hardship, they should call us as soon as possible. We will work with customers to set up an extended payment schedule that will help minimize the impact the extreme weather will have on the family budget."

For assistance, customers should call UGI at 288-7641.

**Four of five smokers have desire to give up**

More than four out of five Pennsylvania residents who are smokers want to kick the habit, according to Michael Mulvey, Health Educator, of the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

This fact was brought to light by a report on Smoking Practices Among Adults in Pennsylvania, recently published by the Health Risk Reduction Program of the State Department of Health. The report summarizes the results of a survey of 904 adults, ages 18-64, conducted in November, 1982.

Since there are currently 2,440,000 adults in Pennsylvania who are smokers, this means that close to 2 million people are looking for ways to stop.

There are many good reasons why smokers should want to quit smoking. Mr. Mulvey pointed out. Smoking not only causes a variety of

illnesses such as lung cancer, heart disease, emphysema and chronic bronchitis but also it can shorten the life expectancy of the individual smoker by as much as six years.

Smoking also poses a health hazard to the non-smoker who is exposed to sidestream smoke, smoke coming from the burning end of a cigarette. The Pennsylvania survey found that nine percent of all adults have asthma, heart disease or some other chronic condition which can be aggravated by sidestream smoke.

Further information about the survey on Smoking Practices can be obtained by writing or calling Catherine Becker, Director, Health Risk Reduction Program, Pennsylvania Department of Health, P.O. Box 90, Harrisburg, Pa. 17108. The telephone number is (717) 787-5251.

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