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## Good morning cheer

Shown here are members of the Dallas High School varsity cheerleading squad that will be featured on the television show, "Good Morning America" on Tuesday, Feb. 28. From left, kneeling, Karen Banks, Lori Handley, Patti Allen, co-

captain, Sandi Shone and Sharon Dougherty. Standing, Linda King, Lori Timek, Kristan Tamburro, co-captain; Karen Wells and Cherie Davis. Absent at the time of the photo were Kerrie Bonawitz and Diane Yamrick.

## Dallas cheerleaders wake nation on 'Good Morning America'

By JOAN KINGSBURY  
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Dallas Senior High School Cheerleaders will get lots of exposure Feb. 28 when they say "Good Morning America" to all of the continental United States.

The Dallas cheerleaders were chosen from hundreds of videos sent to the Good Morning America Show in New York City. The videos chosen would be used at the beginning of the show.

According to cheerleading coach Mary Ann Storz, a teacher at Dallas Junior High School, the idea of sending their video to the Good Morning America Show originated when a taping was made for Channel 16, WNEP, to say Good Morning to Northeastern and Central Pennsylvania. Channel 16 officials were so impressed that they suggested a video be made and sent to the New York Station. One week ago, the girls were notified of their acceptance.

Members of the squad include seniors Kristan Tamburro, Patti Allen, Lori Handley, Sandi Shone and Karen Banks. All seniors with the exception of Karen Banks have two years varsity experience while Karen has been a varsity cheerleader for one year. Juniors Karen Wells and Sharon Dougherty have been varsity cheerleaders for two years while Kerrie Bonawitz and Diane Yamrick, also juniors have been on the varsity squad for one year.

Sophomores Lori Timek, Cherie Davis and Linda King have all been members of the varsity for one year. Maryann Storz has been head cheerleading coach for the past six years. Suzie Eans has served as her assistant coach this year.

The girls, who cheer at all sports events and pep rallies, received top honors at Penn State University cheerleading camp in July. They were chosen in the top five out of 60 squads and received five ribbons of superiority and a "Spirit Stick" for their achievements.

In October, the Dallas cheerleaders won second place (losing by .06 of a point after three rounds) at the Penn State Hazleton Campus Cheerleading competition.

Later this month, the girls will defend their title at the Nesquehoning Rotary Club's Annual Cheerleading Competition held every year at Panther Valley High School in Lansford, Pa. In March, they will defend a title they have held for two consecutive years at the Holy Name of Jesus Annual Pennsylvania Invitational Cheerleading Competition in Harrisburg.

Being a cheerleader is not all trophies and honors, however. There is some work involved as the girls hold an annual cheerleading clinic in June for young girls ages 6-12. The clinic usually averages 100 girls per clinic and proceeds are used to send cheerleaders to camp in July. For the past two summers, the girls picked potatoes at Dr. Handley's farm for profits to buy personal equipment and they also hold a car wash and bake sale to help defray expenses.

## Plans progressing for mini-mall construction

By JANE C. BOLGER  
Staff Correspondent

Construction of a mini-mall on Route 309 behind Treat Drive-In is scheduled to begin this summer, according to owner-developer John Baur of Shavertown.

Baur reports he has been contacted by "several interested parties" as a result of his posted sign advertising office and retail space available and will "build to suit."

Baur envisions eight more attached stores or offices on the 1.1 acre site that presently houses a video arcade and a hobby shop in addition to the Treat Drive-In Restaurant which is noted for its ice cream. A sure sign of spring is that

Treat is scheduled to open for the season "in a few weeks...probably the middle of March," according to Baur who spends the school year teaching Math at the Dallas Junior High School.

Plans for the mini-mall "have been underway for two and a half years," according to Baur but were held up by legal difficulties in obtaining a permit to build on the site from Dallas Township. He finally won the case last fall when Judge Bernard Brominski handed down his decision in Luzerne County Court giving him permission to build.

"It was too late to start then...it would have been November," Baur commented, "but we're ready now."



## Mini-mall site

John and Lena Baur are shown here in front of the arcade next to Treat Drive In, Route 309, Dallas. The area shown behind the Baur's is the proposed site of a mini shopping mall.

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## Wardens will check dogs

State Dog Wardens assigned to the Regional Office of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture will soon be converging on Luzerne County according to Gene Dziak, supervisor of Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement based in Tunkhannock.

"Wardens from our 10 county coverage area will be on the lookout for unlicensed and free running dogs. Fines can go as high as \$300 plus court costs," said dziak.

Noting that the county treasurer has made it much more convenient for residents to purchase a 1984 license, Dziak continued, "Many borough and township buildings now have dog licenses on sale for the convenience of the people so there's no excuse for those who can't get to the courthouse to purchase a license."

Raymond Grivner who is the state

dog warden based in Luzerne County echoed Dziak's feelings. Grivner stated "Every day you can look in the lost and found section of the local newspapers and you'll see why a dog license is good insurance in reuniting a lost dog with its owner. If most of these animals had a license the grief involved in losing a family's pet might be eliminated. Unfortunately most people think their dogs can never stray or get lost only to realize they were wrong when it's too late. Besides that, having a dog license each year is a state law and we're here to enforce that law," Grivner concluded.

The license drives by state wardens along with local police will begin next month and continue until the end of April. Wardens will then move to other counties and return to Luzerne County during the summer months.

## Who are those men?

By JANE C. BOLGER  
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They're all named 'Smith' - the guys who are picketing at the entrance to Offset Paperback along the Memorial Highway in Dallas.

Actually, while they were not about to give their right names, they did identify themselves as members of Operating Engineers Local No. 542 who are picketing not Offset itself, but Mountain Streams and Trade Eastern Inc., the company performing construction work on the site.

Two by two, they walk the picket line from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily which are the hours the construction takes place. Their placards read "Mountain Streams Is Unfair, Paying Sub-Standard Wages and Conditions."

Two large signs right behind the men, visible from the highway, have nothing to do with the strike, but proclaim "Jobs for Pennsylvanians - The Greater Wilkes Barre Industrial Fund" and "Project sponsored by Luzerne County Board of Commissioners through the Office of Community Development of Luzerne County."

The two 'Smiths' on duty last week, who billed themselves tongue-in-cheek as a father and son team from Wilkes-Barre named Charlie 'Smith' and Jimmy 'Smith' seemed to have no actual knowledge about what the strike was about or even

when it started.

"We're here just doing our duty," was their only comment.

A check with the Business Agent for Operating Engineers Local No. 542 also found him unwilling to give his name or to be quoted. As close as could be ascertained, the strike started sometime last fall - maybe October or November - and a constantly changing series of pickets from that union and other supporting crafts have spent weekly shifts along the Dallas highway since that time and will apparently continue to do so until the construction is finished.

Many motorists traveling back and forth on the highway wave at the men or honk in support or just in sympathy for the guys who have stood out there through all the snow and ice storms this year. Asked how they keep warm, the two men on duty explained, "We walk," pointing to the small triangle at the plant entrance and "We dress warm."

They also bring their lunch, taking turns eating in their cars and use the rest room facilities at the nearby Hess Gas Station. The only other thing they do during their eight-hour stint is watch the cars go by.

One commented "I never dreamed there was this amount of traffic on this highway."

His buddy added, as a passing truck raised a cloud of dust, "and at what a high speed - this is supposed to be 35 miles an hour - it's not."



## Portrait presented

Members of the Lake-Lehman Booster Club are shown here with a portrait of the late James Nicholas, former principal at Lake-Lehman High School. The club donated the portrait and a new solid state scoreboard system to the school in memory of Nicholas. The portrait will be presented to the study body and will then be placed permanently in the school lobby. The club donated the scoreboard system, feeling it would be a constant reminder of the enthusiasm and support Nicholas constantly generated. The school board purchased the protective screens

that cover that scoreboard. Shown here during the presentation of the portrait are, from left, Red Jones, president, Lake-Lehman School Board; Lesley Nicholas, Mrs. James Nicholas, Brian Nicholas, John Zaleskas, principal, Lake-Lehman High School; Peter Austin, president, Booster Club; Dr. David Preston, superintendent, Lake-Lehman School District; Donald Jones, Daniel Hudzik, Gilbert Tough, Thomas Williams, Martin Noon and Bing Wolfe, school board members.

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## County residents encouraged to celebrate Arbor Day on April 27

The Luzerne County Conservation District is urging County residents to celebrate Arbor Day, April 27. Pennsylvania has observed Arbor Day since 1941 when it was officially designated by a legislative act. This is an excellent opportunity for every citizen to work toward the enhancement of natural beauty, the improvement of the environment,

and the perpetuation of our valuable resources.

In order to encourage the celebration of Arbor Day by planting trees, the Conservation District is offering several varieties of seedlings for sale at a reasonable cost. This year four varieties of evergreens are being sold - Colorado Blue Spruce,

Douglas Fir, Canadian Hemlock and Scotch Pine. Also a hardwood, Pin Oak is available.

Orders will be accepted until March 23. For additional information on this annual project, contact the Luzerne County Conservation District, 71 North Market Street, P.O. Box 148, Nanticoke, Pa. 16834 or by calling 735-8700.

## Believe it!

Eddie Dorrance of RD 3, Dallas spotted the first robin of the year on Feb. 12 when he saw one of the winged creatures in his backyard.

A young woman was really proud when she saved some money by putting the snow tires on her car herself. The joke was on her, however, when she learned her car was front-wheel drive and she had put the snow tires on the rear wheels.

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